

OFFICE OF FISCAL ANALYSIS

Legislative Office Building, Room 5200
Hartford, CT 06106 ◊ (860) 240-0200
<http://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa>

SB-370

AN ACT CONCERNING PEER-RUN RESPITE CENTERS FOR
PERSONS EXPERIENCING A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 25 \$	FY 26 \$
Mental Health & Addiction Serv., Dept.	GF - Cost	See Below	Up to \$5.5 million

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill results in a significant cost to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to establish a peer-run respite center program. The bill requires at least eight peer-run respite centers and one peer-run technical assistance center, resulting in a cost to DMHAS of approximately \$5.5 million. While the bill is effective 10/1/24, costs may not be incurred in FY 25 as the process to request proposals and finalize contracts is anticipated to take several months. DMHAS must contract with nonprofit peer-run organizations to operate the centers and report on the program annually beginning 10/1/25.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.