

Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session

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LRB Number 19-3977/1	Introduction Number AB-0443
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Description
 Grant to a hospital for expanding psychiatric bed capacity

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		

Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected	
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Towns	<input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	<input type="checkbox"/> Counties	<input type="checkbox"/> Others
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts	<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		
3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue		
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue		
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 20.435 (2)(gk)	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DHS 9/24/2019

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Currently, if a county needs to admit a patient for mental health or substance use treatment under an emergency medical detention, and if facilities in local region are unavailable or unwilling to accept the emergency detention, counties must use local staff and resources to transport the individual in crisis to the Winnebago Mental Health Institute (WMHI) in Oshkosh, WI. WMHI is statutorily obligated to accept all admissions to the facility from all parts of Wisconsin and, under the provisions of this bill, the facility's statutory obligations would not change.

Under this bill, \$15,000,000 in FY 20 general fund supported borrowing (GFSB) would be authorized to provide a grant to Eau Claire area hospitals to expand the capacity of psychiatric care beds at in the by approximately 22 beds. The bill identifies a physical location for the grant awardees, specifying a hospital located in Eau Claire, south of the Chippewa River and Northeast of the Highway 12 and 37 intersections and that serves in a health system that has a hospital in Chippewa county. Currently, the only hospital that meets these criteria is HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire.

The bill requires hospitals receiving the grants to give admissions preference to individuals who are admitted under an emergency detention and who arrive from one of 29 counties located primarily in Wisconsin's northwestern region. If the hospitals do not use the grants to expand psychiatric bed capacity, the state will retain an ownership interest in the expansion equal to the amount of the state's grant.

The bill is expected to cost \$15,000,000 GFSB. DHS would be able to implement the provisions of the bill within current staff and funding levels.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications