

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Boone, Cowan, Dembrow, Freeman, Huffman, Maurer, Olson, VanOrman, Tomei
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	5/22

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires Department of Human Services to develop and implement a plan to increase supervision and treatments options in underserved areas for individuals released under the jurisdiction of the Psychiatric Security Review Board. Requires the department to submit to the Legislature the plan, an assessment of the department's progress and a description of the financial or legal impediments to implementation.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Ratio of patients in county of origin to county of placement with Psychiatric Security Review Board

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Department of Human Services Adult Mental Health Services (AMH) works in conjunction with the Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB) to ensure that treatment and services are provided to those under PSRB jurisdiction. As a result of the Governor's PSRB siting workgroup, AMH and PSRB, in concert with community partners, developed forums to identify the need for further residential development throughout the state.

Senate Bill 401A addresses specific areas of concern to the workgroup. Patient placements are consolidated to limited areas. Often treatment is not available in areas where patients have support networks and this may be detrimental to the recovery process. Additionally, concentration of these facilities in a few municipalities can be burdensome as facilities vie for limited resources. At the same time other communities miss the potential employment and economic development opportunities provided by these centers. SB 401A does not mandate the location of PRSB facilities in specific areas.