

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5012

Mental Health Regulatory Agency

HB 5012 is the budget bill for the Mental Health Regulatory Agency. The Agency contains two boards, the Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists and the Board of Psychology. The Mental Health Regulatory Agency is supported by fees and receives no moneys from the General Fund.

The budget recommended by the Subcommittee on Education totals \$3,984,411 Other Funds and 12.00 FTE. The budget includes limitation to complete the integration and upgrade of the two boards' online database and desktop support needs, as well as funding to make permanent a limited duration Compliance Specialist 2 position to handle the increase in licensing applications and investigative workload.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 5012 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.