Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: SB1083							
	House of Origin		Introduced		Substitute	X	Engrossed	
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled	
2.	Patron: H	lowell						
3.	Committee: Courts of Justice							
4.	Title: M	Iental	health law rev	isioi	18.			
5.	Summary: Mental health law revisions. Amends mental health statutes to address issues resulting from the overhaul of mental health laws during the 2008 Session. This bill clarifies requirements that law-enforcement initiated emergency custody remains subject to the four hour limit and two hour extension provisions; clarifies that the employee or designee of the community services board attending a commitment hearing need not be the person who prepared the prescreening report, and that neither the employee or designee of the community services board attending a commitment hearing nor the independent examiner who attends the commitment hearing shall be excluded pursuant to an order of sequestration of the witnesses; clarifies that the prescreening report shall be admitted into evidence and made part of the record of the case; and extends the CCRE reporting requirement to close of business or the next business day following the hearing resulting in involuntary commitment. This bill has an emergency clause.							
6.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.							
7.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.							
8.	Fiscal Implications: None.							
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services, Community services boards							
10.	10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.							
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