

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1408

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Deeds

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Routine review of emergency services; report.

5. Summary: Requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) to establish benchmarks and standards for emergency services provided by community services boards and behavioral health authorities and to conduct annual reviews of emergency services provided by community services boards and behavioral health authorities to determine the extent to which they meet such benchmarks and standards. The bill also requires the department to report the results of such review to the General Assembly no later than December 1 of each year.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes. Item 307

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2016	\$25,000	-	General
2017	\$175,000	1.5	General
2018	\$175,000	1.5	General
2019	\$175,000	1.5	General
2020	\$175,000	1.5	General
2021	\$175,000	1.5	General

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill will impact the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS). It is estimated that 1.5 FTE program staff in the Central Office will be required to audit Community Services Boards' emergency medical functions and develop the annual reports for submission to the General Assembly. The agency estimates the cost of developing benchmarks and standards at \$25,000. This one-time cost is assumed in FY 2016.

The full time position will be Pay Band 5 and thus cost approximately \$130,000 per year including salary, fringe benefits, and non-personal costs such as travel. The part-time staff will be at Pay Band 4 and would add a cost of \$45,000 per year including salary, fringe benefits, and non-personal costs such as travel. These individuals will be responsible for developing the necessary benchmarks for evaluation, auditing the emergency services provided by each of the 40 CSBs, synthesizing data from the collection of audits, and composing an annual report for the General Assembly.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Behavioral Health and

Developmental Services, Community Services Boards

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.