

Department of Planning and Budget
2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1446

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Miller

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Training centers; discharge plans.

5. Summary: The bill prohibits a community services board or training center staff from preparing or discussing a new discharge plan for an individual for at least nine months after an initial discharge plan is complete.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None

8. Fiscal Implications: The language does not make it clear as to whether this legislation would prevent Community Services Board staff from discussing available alternative community-based care options to training center residents. If this legislation is interpreted as preventing discussion of alternate community placements, it could result in a delay in discharging residents from training centers. Any significant delay in discharging individuals from state facilities could result in delayed closure of the facility and affect the anticipated savings from reduced census and closing beds.

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