

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1845-ER

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

2. Patron: Cox

3. Committee: Passed both houses

4. Title: Department of Criminal Justice Services; model addiction recovery program; jails.

5. Summary: The bill requires the Department of Criminal Justice Services, in consultation with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to develop a model addiction recovery program that may be administered by sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, jail officers, administrators, or superintendents in any local or regional jail. The substitute clarifies that the program is to be based on any existing addiction recovery programs that are being administered by any local or regional jails in the Commonwealth. Participation in such program shall be voluntary, and such program shall address multiple aspects of the recovery process, including medical and clinical recovery, peer-to-peer support, availability of mental health resources, family dynamics, and aftercare aspects of the recovery process.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No. The conference committee report provides a budget amendment to support this initiative (Item 398 #3c).

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item #8

8. Fiscal Implications: The program is to be based on existing programs currently administered in local or regional jails, therefore, the Department of Criminal Justice Services could develop a model recovery program with existing resources.

The bill is not expected to have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. The bill allows sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, jail officers, administrators, or superintendents in any local or regional jail to administer the program. However, participation is voluntary so the bill is not expected to result in a fiscal impact.

The conference committee report provides a budget amendment of \$153,600 in the second year from the general fund for the Department of Criminal Justice Services to award grants for up to four pilot sites administering model addiction recovery program in local or regional jails in support of this bill. The sites are to be selected by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Criminal Justice Services, the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, sheriffs, local and regional jails.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None