

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 734

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

2. Patron: Deeds

3. Committee: -

4. Title: Residential psychiatric placement and services; SOE, et al., to establish work group

5. Summary: The substitute bill directs the Secretaries of Education and Health and Human Resources to establish a work group to i) review the current process for approval of residential psychiatric placements and barriers to timely approval of residential psychiatric services for adolescents and children, (ii) develop recommendations for improving such process and ensuring timely approval of residential psychiatric placements and services for adolescents and children, and (iii) develop recommendations for a process to expedite approval of requests for residential psychiatric placements and services for adolescents and children who are receiving acute inpatient psychiatric services. The Commissioner of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services and the Director of Medical Assistance Services must serve as co-chairs of the work group. The work group must report its findings and recommendations to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Finance, and the Joint Subcommittee to Study Mental Health Services in the Commonwealth in the 21st Century by December 1, 2020.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Minimal Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: It is expected that the Secretaries of Education and Health and Human Resources can meet the provisions of this bill with existing resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Secretary of Health and Human Resources
Secretary of Education
Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services
Department of Medical Assistance Services
Department of Social Services
Office of Children's Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None