

## Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB335

House of Origin      X      Introduced                  Substitute                  Engrossed  
Second House                 In Committee              Substitute                  Enrolled

**2. Patron:**        Cuccinelli

**3. Committee:** Courts of Justice

**4. Title:**        **Voluntary outpatient treatment.**

**5. Summary:** Voluntary outpatient treatment. Provides the option for voluntary outpatient treatment prior to the commitment hearing if a special justice or judge can ascertain whether or not (i) there is appropriate treatment for the person's condition, (ii) the service providers agree to provide the services necessary, and (iii) the person has sufficient capacity to understand and adhere to the treatment plan. Also provides that the person would have to sign an agreement and that such agreement would be admissible at any subsequent commitment hearing.

**6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Tentative**

**6a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2008			
2009	950,000		GF
2010	950,000		GF
2011	950,000		GF
2012	950,000		GF
2013	950,000		GF
2014	950,000		GF

**7. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Item 316, Grants to Localities

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill would increase the number of individuals agreeing to voluntary outpatient treatment at the commencement of a hearing. To estimate the cost, it is assumed that of the 20,000 hearings annually, 1,000 individuals, or five percent, will opt for this treatment. On average, each Community Services Board would thus be responsible for 25 individuals per year. The cost to each CSB will include case management, estimated at \$12,500 (assuming 90 days of outpatient treatment) as well as outpatient services. To determine the cost of outpatient services, it can be assumed that each individual will require a minimum of 7.5 hours of treatment. The cost of providing these services, in addition to administrative duties for outpatient treatment providers, is estimated at a minimum of \$450 per person, per year, or \$11,250 per CSB. For every 1,000 individuals that choose outpatient treatment, the system-wide cost will be approximately \$950,000.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Community Services Boards

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources