

**Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services
2014 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number: HB585

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

2. Patron: O'Bannon

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Competency of criminal defendant; reports for restoration providers

5. Summary: This bill requires the defendant's attorney to make available to the director of the community services board, behavioral health authority, or inpatient facility charged with treating the defendant the psychiatric record and other information deemed relevant and submitted by the defendant's attorney to the evaluator. Current law requires that the evaluator's competency report be made available to the treating entity but there is no time limit. The bill requires that all of these records and reports be made available to the treating entity within 96 hours of the issuance of the court order requiring treatment to restore competency.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No Fiscal Impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill has no fiscal impact as it codifies current practice. Many attorneys already are copying and proving records, although unless an attorney is experienced with the relevant Code, Community Services Boards (CSB) have to call or write and ask for records, which results in delays in starting treatment. Therefore, this bill will not create any new work for CSBs. In fact, it may decrease CSB workload as records will be sent automatically rather in response to a call/letter.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.