

Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB126

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Newman

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Acute psychiatric bed registry

5. Summary: This bill directs the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to establish an acute psychiatric bed registry that will provide real-time information on the availability of beds in public and private psychiatric facilities and residential crisis stabilization units for individuals who meet the criteria for temporary detention.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See fiscal implications below.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2015	\$111,715	1	GF
2016	\$121,871	1	GF
2017	\$121,871	1	GF
2018	\$121,871	1	GF
2019	\$121,871	1	GF
2020	\$121,871	1	GF

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) to establish and operate a web-based registry of public and private acute psychiatric and crisis stabilization beds statewide, including real-time availability of beds by facility. The agency is currently in the final stages of implementing such a registry using funds appropriated by the General Assembly in Chapter 806, 2013 Acts of Assembly. The registry, created via contract with Virginia Health Information (VHI), is anticipated to be operational by April 1, 2014.

However, to improve the effectiveness of the registry and ensure that facilities are in compliance and cooperating with the system's requirements, the department will need an additional FTE in the central office, Item 307. This position will be responsible for providing training and technical assistance to users, visiting sites to identify barriers to admissions, analyzing and reporting on data that is being collected, tracking trends, and suggesting corrective actions to improve system effectiveness. The individual will also work with hospitals and community providers on prompt discharge of clinically ready persons to reduce

bed blockage for new admissions. The annualized cost of this position and the associated costs is assumed at \$121,871 per year. The first year cost is assumed at 22 pay periods.

Salary – Pay Band 5	\$80,000
Fringe Benefits	\$32,420
Subtotal, Personal Services	\$112,420
Travel	\$4,726
Office Supplies	\$150
Training	\$2,500
Telephone	\$449
Computer/Blackberry	\$1,626
Subtotal, Nonpersonal Services	\$9,451
Annual Total	\$121,871

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: DBHDS, Private Psychiatry Hospitals

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill contains similar provisions to SB263.