

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB739

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 type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Deeds

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Acute psychiatric bed registry; information required to be provided.

5. Summary: Requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to establish a work group to include representatives of such stakeholders (i) to evaluate the role of the acute psychiatric bed registry in collecting and disseminating information about the availability of acute psychiatric beds in the Commonwealth and collecting data and information to ensure adequate oversight of the process by which individuals are referred for acute psychiatric services, the structure of the registry, and the types of data required to be reported to the registry and (ii) to make recommendations for statutory, budgetary, or other actions necessary to redefine the purpose of the registry and improve its structure and effectiveness. The work group shall report its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the Governor and the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Education and Health, the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions, and the Joint Subcommittee to Study Mental Health Services in the Commonwealth in the Twenty-First Century by November 1, 2020.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None.

8. Fiscal Implications: No fiscal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.