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**Fiscal Note**



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**Subject:** Access to MAT for Persons in Residential Treatment

HEALTH/BEHAVIORAL EG +\$67,646 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1

Requires residential treatment facilities to provide access to medication-assisted treatment for patients with opioid use disorder

Proposed law requires residential treatment facilities licensed pursuant to present law that provide treatment for opioid use disorder to have onsite access to at least one form of FDA-approved opioid agonist treatment. Proposed law further requires such facilities to have access to at least one form of FDA-approved opioid antagonist treatment either on site or by referral. Proposed law requires the LA Dept. of Health to develop a monitoring system to track and report provider compliance with proposed law. Proposed law requires LDH to provider technical assistance to providers seeking to comply with proposed law. Proposed law requires providers subject to proposed law to issue a progress report to LDH by January 1, 2021, regarding compliance with proposed law. Proposed law prohibits LDH from taking action against providers for failure to comply with the opioid antagonist treatment requirements in proposed law until January 1, 2023.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$67,646	\$66,911	\$66,911	\$66,911	\$66,911	<b>\$335,290</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$67,646	\$66,911	\$66,911	\$66,911	\$66,911	<b>\$335,290</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$135,292</b>	<b>\$133,822</b>	<b>\$133,822</b>	<b>\$133,822</b>	<b>\$133,822</b>	<b>\$670,580</b>

  

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law will increase aggregate expenditures for the LA Dept. of Health, Office of Behavioral Health (OBH) by an estimated \$135,292 (\$67,646 SGF, \$67,646 SGR) in FY 20 and by an estimated \$133,822 (\$66,911 SGF, \$66,911 SGR) in FY 21 and subsequent fiscal years. The expenditure increase is primarily associated with OBH's reported need for 1 additional T.O. position for a Program Manager to implement proposed law at an annual cost of \$131,820 (\$87,880 salary, \$43,940 related benefits).

LDH reports that it requires the Program Manager position to implement provisions of the proposed legislation requiring the department to develop a monitoring mechanism to track and report compliance with provisions of proposed law requiring licensed residential treatment facilities to have at least one form of FDA-approved opioid agonist treatment and access to an FDA-approved opioid antagonist treatment either onsite or by referral. Furthermore, the T.O. position will carry out provisions of proposed law requiring LDH to offer technical assistance to residential treatment facilities, such as "buprenorphine waiver training, administrative support, and other guidance as requested by participating providers." For reference, LDH reports that the Program Manager will be responsible for carrying out provisions of proposed law among 214 residential treatment facilities. Due to the large number of facilities affected by the proposed legislation, the additional T.O. position may be required. However, necessity of the additional position will depend on the level of support each facility requires, as well as the number of facilities requiring assistance to implement proposed law.

Furthermore, LDH reports a one-time expense in FY 20 to purchase equipment (computer, telephone, printer) for the aforementioned T.O. position at a cost of \$1,386. Additionally, LDH anticipates ongoing operating expenses for the position to total \$2,085 in FY 20 and \$2,002 in FY 21 and subsequent fiscal years.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	<u>House</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}		<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}		<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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