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S.F. No. 3249 – Mental health services and appropriations (2nd engrossment)

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Section 1 [144.1508] establishes a grant program for mental health providers to fund supervision of interns and clinical trainees working towards becoming mental health professionals.

Section 2 (144.55, subdivision 4) allows the commissioner of health to conduct inspections to determine whether a hospital continues to satisfy the conditions on which a hospital moratorium exception was granted.

Section 3 (144.55, subdivision 6) prohibits the commissioner of health from renewing licenses for hospital beds issued to a hospital pursuant to a hospital moratorium exception if the commissioner determines the hospital is not satisfying the conditions in the exception.

Section 4 [144.551, subdivision 1a] creates a limited-time hospital moratorium exception to increase the mental health bed capacity.

Section 5 [245.096] requires the commissioner of human services to notify the legislature of any changes to any grant program before the start of a regular session and prohibits the changes from going into effect until the adjournment of that regular session.

Section 6 (245.4661) updates the language in the adult mental health initiatives statute from pilot projects to initiatives.

Subdivisions 1, 3 to 5, and 6 to 10 make changes to remove “pilot projects” language.

Subdivision 2 makes changes to remove “pilot projects” language and requires the prioritization of evidence-based services.

Subdivision 5a adds a requirement that the commissioner of human services must maintain an inventory of adult mental health initiative services that are administered.

Subdivision 11 ensures that no adult mental health initiative region receives less funding than the amount it received in fiscal year 2022 in the event there is a funding formula change.

Section 7 [245I.23, subd. 19a] allows a license holder that prohibits clients from leaving by locking exit doors or other methods to provide intensive residential treatment services as long as certain requirements are met.

Section 8 (256B.0622, subd. 5a) allows a license holder to operate a locked facility to provide intensive residential rehabilitative mental health services covered by medical assistance for patients transferred from jail or have been deemed incompetent to stand trial and it is determined that they need to be in a secure facility.

Section 9 (256B.0625, subd. 5) requires medical assistance managed care plans to pay at least the fee-for-service rate for mental health services.

Section 10 (256B.0625, subd. 56a) removes the county share, in terms of the medical assistance payment, from officer-involved community-based care coordination services.

Section 11 [611.41] establishes definitions for competency restoration forensic navigator services provided to defendants deemed incompetent to stand trial.

Section 12 [611.42] establishes forensic navigator services provided to defendants deemed incompetent to stand trial.

Section 13 [611.43] requires counties to choose a competency restoration curriculum by January 1, 2023.

Section 14 (DIRECTION TO COMMISSIONER; MEDICAL ASSISTANCE BENEFIT) directs the commissioner of human services to develop a medical assistance eligible mental health benefit for children in crisis.

Section 15 (URGENCY ROOM GRANT ESTABLISHMENT) establishes a grant program for mental health urgency rooms that address emergency mental health needs of youth aged 25 and younger.

Section 16 (ONLINE MUSIC GRANT ESTABLISHMENT) establishes a grant program for online music instruction.

Section 17 (APPROPRIATION; SCHOOL-LINKED MENTAL HEALTH) appropriates money to fund school-linked mental health grants.

Section 18 (APPROPRIATION; SHELTER-LINKED MENTAL HEALTH) appropriates money to fund shelter-linked mental health grants.

Section 19 (APPROPRIATION; MOBILE CRISIS SERVICES) appropriates money for grants for adult mobile crisis services.

Section 20 (APPROPRIATION; URGENCY ROOM GRANTS) appropriates money for the mental health urgency room grant program established in Section 15.

Section 21 (APPROPRIATION; MENTAL HEALTH LOAN FORGIVENESS) appropriates money to the health professional loan forgiveness program, but only allows the funds to be used for mental health professionals. However, the funds may be carried over and allocated proportionally among the other eligible professions if the entire appropriation is not used in fiscal year 2023.

Section 22 (APPROPRIATION; SUPERVISION GRANT PROGRAM) appropriates money for the mental health provider supervision grant program established in Section 1.

Section 23 (APPROPRIATION; INTENSIVE RESIDENTIAL SERVICES) appropriates money for intensive residential treatment services under Sections 7 and 8.

Section 24 (APPROPRIATION; ADULT MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES) increases the general fund base for adult mental health initiative services in fiscal year 2025 and appropriates money for adult mental health initiative services.

Section 25 (APPROPRIATION; FORENSIC NAVIGATORS) appropriates money for the forensic navigator services established under Section 12.

Section 26 (APPROPRIATION; ONLINE MUSIC GRANT PROGRAM) appropriates money for the online music instruction grant program established in Section 16.

Section 27 (APPROPRIATION; OFFICER-INVOLVED COMMUNITY-BASED CARE) appropriates money for medical assistance rates for officer-involved community-based care coordination following the removal of the county share in Section 10.

Section 28 (APPROPRIATION; MENTAL HEALTH BENEFIT FOR CHILDREN) appropriates money for the development of a medical assistance eligible mental health benefit for children directed under Section 14.

Section 29 (APPROPRIATION; FEE-FOR-SERVICE RATES) appropriates money to monitor the fee-for-service mental health minimum rate under Section 9.

Section 30 (REPEALER) repeals section 245.4661, subdivision 8, which gave the commissioner of human services budget flexibility when implementing adult mental health services.