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S.F. No. 3249 – Mental health services and appropriations (as amended by the A-1 amendment)

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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 a mental health professional.

Section 2 [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 3 (245.4661) updates the language in the adult mental health initiatives statute from pilot projects to initiatives. Adds language to ensure 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 4 (245I.23, subd. 19) allows a license holder to operate a locked facility to provide intensive residential treatment services or residential crisis stabilization 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 5 (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 6 (256B.0625, subd. 5) requires medical assistance managed care plans to pay at least the fee for service rate for mental health services.

Section 7 (256B.0625, subd. 56a) removes the county share, in terms of the medical assistance payment, from officer-involved community-based care coordination services.

Section 8 [611.41] establishes definitions for forensic navigator services for competency restoration.

Section 9 [611.42] establishes forensic navigator services for defendant's deemed incompetent to stand trial.

Section 10 [611.43] requires counties to choose a competency restoration curriculum by January 1, 2023.

Section 11 directs the commissioner of human services to develop a medical assistance eligible mental health benefit for children in crisis.

Section 12 establishes a grant program for mental health urgency rooms that address emergency mental health needs of youth aged 25 and younger.

Section 13 appropriates money to fund school-linked mental health grants.

Section 14 appropriates money to fund shelter-linked mental health grants.

Section 15 appropriates money for grants for adult mobile crisis services.

Section 16 appropriates money for the mental health urgency room grant program established in Section 9.

Section 17 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 18 appropriates money for the mental health provider supervision grant program established in Section 1.

Section 19 appropriates money for intensive residential treatment services under Sections 4 and 5.

Section 20 appropriates money to hold adult mental health initiative regions harmless.

Section 21 appropriates money for the forensic navigator services established under section 9.

Section 22 repeals section 245.4661, subdivision 8, which gave the commissioner of human services budget flexibility when implementing adult mental health services.