

Fiscal Impact Statement

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SPONSOR: Hickerson

SUBTITLE:

TO CREATE A MECHANISM FOR TRANSFERRING BACK TO ARKANSAS ANY ARKANSAS CITIZEN WHO HAS BEEN ADMITTED TO A PRIVATE HOSPITAL IN ANOTHER STATE FOR THE TREATMENT OF MENTAL ILLNESS.

TOPIC

√ Transfer of Mental Health Patients

AFFECTED FUNDS

√ General Revenue

REVENUE IMPACT

√ Minimal*

ASSUMPTIONS - BASED ON:

√ * The bill provides a mechanism to transport Arkansans in need of mental health treatment across the state line to a mental health receiving facility or program.

√ * The bill may prompt law enforcement agencies to provide more transportation services.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

√ There are fewer than 10 patients who would be affected by this legislation each year, therefore the cost would be minimal to the State*

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