

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING  
OF THE  
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
AND THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

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The joint meeting of the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means' Subcommittee on Human Services and the Senate Committee on Finance's Subcommittee on Human Services was called to order by Chair Maggie Carlton at 8:15 a.m. on Tuesday, April 23, 2013, in Room 3137 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda ([Exhibit A](#)), the Attendance Roster ([Exhibit B](#)), and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at [nelis.leg.state.nv.us/77th2013](http://nelis.leg.state.nv.us/77th2013). In addition, copies of the audio record may be purchased through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (email: [publications@lcb.state.nv.us](mailto:publications@lcb.state.nv.us); telephone: 775-684-6835).

**ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton, Chair  
Assemblyman Michael Sprinkle, Vice Chair  
Assemblyman David P. Bobzien  
Assemblyman John Hambrick  
Assemblyman Pat Hickey  
Assemblyman William C. Horne  
Assemblywoman Marilyn K. Kirkpatrick  
Assemblyman Randy Kirner

**SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Debbie Smith, Chair  
Senator Ben Kieckhefer  
Senator David R. Parks



**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Michael J. Chapman, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst  
Alex Haartz, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst  
Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst  
Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst  
Linda Blevins, Committee Secretary  
Cynthia Wyett, Committee Assistant

Chair Carlton advised the Subcommittees they would be reviewing budgets for the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services, Department of Health and Human Services.

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, began his presentation with a summary of decision units Maintenance (M) 740, M-745, decision units Enhancement (E) 740, E-741, and E-746 as shown on page 3 of [Exhibit C](#). The decision units were included in the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS), Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS), Rural Clinics, and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA) budget accounts as a group. The decision units were developed as a result of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The Governor recommended a decrease in General Fund appropriations of \$33,223,691 for these accounts and an increase in Medicaid funds.

Mr. Winebarger noted that decision unit M-740 accounted for persons who were Medicaid-eligible but were not enrolled. The agency projected that as a result of increased attention to the ACA, the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS) would enroll an additional 3 percent of their clients in Medicaid. Across the mental health accounts, the Governor originally recommended reducing General Fund appropriations by about \$1.74 million with a corresponding increase in federal Medicaid revenues. However, since the federal share of medical assistance percentage increased, the General Fund savings in fiscal year (FY) 2015 would be \$10,176 greater than the original estimate.

Chair Carlton suggested that because decision units M-740, M-745, E-740, E-741, and E-746 affected several DMHDS budgets, they should be reviewed individually and voted on as a package.

Mr. Winebarger continued, stating that decision unit M-745, was created to account for Medicaid-eligible clients who had not enrolled. However, decision unit M-745 related only to medications. Rather than the state paying for medications, the clients would be sent to private pharmacies to fill their prescriptions.

Decision unit E-740 was only found in the SAPTA budget account. Mr. Winebarger explained that because of Medicaid expansion, SAPTA would be able to reduce support to its drug treatment providers because they would be able to increase the direct reimbursement from Medicaid. The Governor recommended reducing General Fund appropriations by \$6,434,216 over the 2013-2015 biennium.

The ACA expanded Medicaid eligibility by creating a new category of eligible clients up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL). Mr. Winebarger said that the Division estimated that the Medicaid-eligible caseload would increase by 21 percent in FY 2014 and 26 percent in FY 2015. Medicaid would reimburse the state for 100 percent of the eligible costs beginning January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016, for this newly eligible category of clients. An amendment was received for the Rural Clinics budget account saving an additional \$25,590 in FY 2015. However, decision unit E-741 reflected General Fund savings for newly eligible clients who were 100 percent Medicaid reimbursable; therefore, the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) rate would not be applicable to this decision unit.

Decision unit E-746 reduced state-funded pharmacy costs for those newly eligible Medicaid clients up to 138 percent of the FPL. Mr. Winebarger pointed out that the process for pharmacy coverage was the same as in decision unit M-745. The Governor recommended reducing General Fund appropriations by \$5,144,923 over the biennium across SNAMHS, NNAMHS, and Rural Clinics.

Chair Carlton advised the Subcommittees that the decision units reviewed by Mr. Winebarger were reductions made in conjunction with the ACA.

Assemblyman Kirner asked about the effects of the assumptions on The Executive Budget, noting the decision units were mainly federal dollars. He was unclear whether there would be an effect on the General Fund if the projected percentages were incorrect.

Michael J. Chapman, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, explained that the numbers were based on projections provided by the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS) when developing the budget. The effect on the General Fund would be if the clients who were Medicaid-eligible did not come forward, thereby reducing the amount of Medicaid dollars to the state. This program was new to DMHDS and the Fiscal Analysis Division staff.

Assemblyman Kirner expressed his confidence in the projections; however, there was a possibility the projections would not be met. If there was an effect on the General Fund, he asked whether the DMHDS would appear before the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) for reconsideration.

Mr. Chapman agreed that would be an option if there was a negative effect on the General Fund. If the projections were too low, there could be an increase in the General Fund savings.

Senator Kieckhefer inquired whether there were General Fund dollars put into the decision units as future reimbursements decreased and whether there was any maintenance of effort requirement under the ACA.

Mr. Chapman replied that to the best of his knowledge, there was not a maintenance of effort requirement on the enhanced FMAP for the expansion of the ACA.

In response to Chair Carlton, Mr. Winebarger detailed the billing cycle process. At the present time, SAPTA had 20 service providers. Seven of the providers billed Medicaid, three were in the process of transitioning to billing Medicaid, eight of the providers were not eligible to bill Medicaid but were negotiating to change policy so Medicaid could be billed, and two were ineligible because they received inmate services. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and Division of Welfare and Supportive Services (DWSS) were providing services to enrolled clients and would be putting forth the effort to ensure all eligible persons were enrolled.

Chair Carlton believed it was important to ensure there were no adverse effects as the transition between payers took place. She thought there was going to be a test run later in the year to ensure a smooth transition.

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, confirmed that there would be a test run with SAPTA providers to ensure everything would be operational by January 2014.

Assemblyman Kirner believed that the state was on the right track. He asked whether there would be a cash-flow problem for the state when the billing changes were put into place.

Responding to Assemblyman Kirner, Ms. Freed said there could be a problem with the cash flow. All of the SAPTA providers would have to learn what processes Medicaid reimbursed, the billable cycles, and so forth. The agency was working diligently to make the transition as smooth as possible.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNITS M-740, M-745, E-740, E-741, EXCLUDING THE BUDGET AMENDMENT, AND E-746 AS RECOMMENDED BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Smith was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, noted that in decision unit Enhancement (E) 744 of budget account (BA) 3168, the Administration account, the Governor recommended General Fund appropriations of \$274,117 Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS) cost-allocation revenues of \$105,179 over the 2013-2015 biennium to fund three new positions. The agency indicated it needed a social services manager 4, a business process analyst 3, and a program officer 3 to support revenue collection and service delivery goals established with expansion of the Medicaid program.

According to Mr. Winebarger, the agency stated a social services manager 4 position was needed to provide divisionwide enactment and oversight of integrated systems as part of the standardization of care. The business process analyst 3 was needed to provide statewide technical support specific to the

billing and reporting functions of the medical records system. The program officer 3 would be responsible for compliance with federal regulations regarding Medicaid reimbursement, use and billing, provider credentialing, healthcare reform, and access to the Medicaid provider portal.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE A SOCIAL SERVICES MANAGER 4 POSITION, A BUSINESS PROCESS ANALYST 3 POSITION, AND A PROGRAM OFFICER 3 POSITION IN DECISION UNIT E-744 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
ADMINISTRATION (101-3168)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-51**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, provided a brief summary of budget account (BA) 3168 for the Subcommittees. The Governor recommended consolidating the Mental Health agency and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA) of the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS) with the Health Division to create a new Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH). Each Mental Health and SAPTA budget account would remain intact, but would become part of the proposed DPBH. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) stated the creation of the new DPBH modeled a holistic healthcare approach that integrated services to address both body and mind and treat the client as a whole person.

According to Mr. Winebarger, by using a public health model for mental health matters, the agency suggested it could improve services and identify needs that would help prevent costly outcomes. As an example, the agency said this

approach had been used to identify the need to initiate follow-up mental health treatment and medication prescriptions while a client with mental illness was incarcerated. Prior practices of waiting for the client to be released before initiating contact often resulted in delays in the client receiving necessary medication and follow-up services.

According to the agency, another benefit of reorganization was the colocating of public and mental health services in rural areas, which would create a single point of entry within each community. Mr. Winebarger noted that the agency stated standardization of services and practices was a significant benefit of integrating public and mental health. As examples of standardization, the agency noted that the redesign of policies and procedures in the following areas had begun: medical clearance needed prior to providing mental health services; caseload management; and mental health courts.

Fiscal management standardization was another area of improvement identified by the agency. Mr. Winebarger explained the consolidation would result in a centrally located fiscal grant management team, which would be led by a management analyst 4 position requested in decision unit Enhancement (E) 225 in BA 3168. The Health Division was recommended for four grants and projects analyst 2 positions that would be a part of the team. The team would develop standardized methods for tracking and reporting of federal grants, maintain a divisionwide database and coordinate fiscal monitoring of subrecipients, and help ensure compliance with Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133 audit requirements. According to the agency, the Health Division would use their recommended positions to replace contracted employees. The Mental Health agency had identified the need for the recommended positions based on a workload analysis. The agency had pointed out that a contract management team would be centrally located in the Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) Administration account (BA 3168). The agency recommended a new account technician 2 because of increased workload.

Mr. Winebarger noted that although ten positions were recommended to be transferred as a result of the approved reorganization, only six positions would be added to the DPBH budget accounts. Four of these six positions replaced contract workers. The position additions increased cost-allocation revenues in the Health Division by \$117,074 over the biennium. The DPBH account had been recommended for two new positions [E-225] related to the reorganization at a cost of \$221,730 supported by General Fund appropriations over the biennium. The net General Fund savings from the reclassifications of the state

health officer, health administrator, community health nursing manager, and the health deputy administrator totaled \$131,405 over the biennium. Based on Fiscal Analysis Division information, the net General Fund change directly resulting from the reorganization was \$90,187 over the biennium. No other additional costs or savings related to the reorganization were identified.

Overall, it was difficult for Fiscal Analysis Division staff to evaluate the department's proposal to consolidate public health services and mental health services within one division. Mr. Winebarger noticed there were no apparent cost savings directly attributable to the consolidation, and no positions were recommended for elimination. The administrative structure for mental health and public health did not appear to change significantly.

While the client service benefits of consolidation might be realized, Mr. Winebarger stated the Fiscal Analysis Division did not see reorganization as a necessary condition for achieving those benefits. The Subcommittees should note that by approving the decision units in the reorganization and consolidation, the Subcommittees were approving the merger.

Chair Carlton stated there had been much discussion regarding the reorganization and consolidation of the Mental Health portion of MHDS into the Health Division. Chair Carlton encouraged the Subcommittees to discuss the plan thoroughly.

Assemblyman Sprinkle believed there was a point where the Subcommittees had to trust the people who worked with the programs daily. He stated that this had been an important request for the Department of Health and Human Services, and he was comfortable with making a decision.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO CONSOLIDATE THE MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT AGENCIES WITH THE HEALTH DIVISION TO CREATE THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.



THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, moved to decision unit Enhancement (E) 910 in budget account (BA) 3168. The Governor recommended transferring a deputy administrator, an administrative services officer 4, an administrative services officer 3, a management analyst 1, and a 0.51 full-time-equivalent personnel technician 2 to the Aging and Disability Services Division Federal Programs and Administration account (BA 3151).

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION IN DECISION UNIT E-910 TO TRANSFER A DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICER 4, AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICER 3, A MANAGEMENT ANALYST 1, AND A PERSONNEL TECHNICIAN 2 TO THE AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER SECONDED THE MOTION.

Assemblyman Kirner recalled testimony that although the Subcommittees wanted to approve the consolidation, the emphasis on mental health problems should not be lost. The agency had requested to retain the administrative services officer 3 position in the DPBH Administration account.

Laura Freed, Senior Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, explained that retention of the position was not a major area of concern. The agency had requested the Fiscal Analysis Division evaluate the relative size and workload of the two divisions and to make recommendations based on that evaluation.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for action on the motion.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, moved to decision unit Enhancement (E) 225. In fiscal year (FY) 2012, the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) approved six contract positions for the Health Division to operate a pilot program for a divisionwide grants management team. Based on a workload analysis prepared by the Health Division, the Governor recommended a new management analyst 4 position and a new accountant technician 2 position. This appeared reasonable to staff.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION IN DECISION UNIT E-225 FOR A MANAGEMENT ANALYST 4 POSITION AND AN ACCOUNTANT TECHNICIAN 2 POSITION.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision unit Enhancement (E) 811, the Governor's recommendation for the reclassification of an unclassified executive assistant position to a classified management analyst 3 position.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE THE RECLASSIFICATION OF AN UNCLASSIFIED EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT POSITION TO A CLASSIFIED MANAGEMENT ANALYST 3 POSITION AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision unit Enhancement (E) 800. The Governor recommended funding an increase in cost-allocation expenditures to allow the Mental Health Information System account [BA 3164] to recover the Medicaid-allowable administrative costs.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNIT E-800 TO ALLOW THE MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEM ACCOUNT TO RECOVER THE MEDICAID-ALLOWABLE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision unit Enhancement (E) 250. The Governor recommended adding a biostatistician 2 to collect, evaluate, interpret, and report on mental health data and programs. Biostatisticians performed complex mathematical and statistical analysis on public health databases by applying statistical theories and principles to determine cause-and-effect relationships, allowing program managers to make better data-driven decisions.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADD A BIOSTATISTICIAN 2 POSITION UNDER DECISION UNIT E-250.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Chair Carlton requested the Subcommittees review the other closing items shown on page 11 of [Exhibit C](#). There being no questions or discussion on the items, Chair Carlton requested a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE ALL OTHER CLOSING ITEMS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEM (101-3164)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-42**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, pointed out that decision units Enhancement (E) 906 and E-912 were positions transfers related to the reorganization of the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS), the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD), and the Health Division.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNITS E-906 AND E-912 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision units Enhancement (E) 901, E-902, and E-903, wherein the Governor recommended the transfer of 16 information technology staff members from Rural Clinics, Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services, and Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services to the Mental Health Information System budget account (BA) 3164. The agency stated the transfers placed responsibility and authority over the division's information technology (IT) operations in a single budget account. By consolidating IT management into a single authority, IT processes across the mental health accounts could be standardized. This recommendation was not conditional on the approval of the consolidation and reorganization.

Mr. Winebarger noted that as a companion to the transfers into this budget account, decision units E-502 and E-503 recommended combining four part-time IT technician 5 positions into two full-time positions.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNITS E-901, E-902, E-903, E-502, AND E-503 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision unit Enhancement (E) 607, the elimination of a business process analyst 2 position. The Governor recommended elimination of the position which had been vacant since June 2011. The Governor additionally recommended General Fund appropriations of \$19,795 to be added to the General Fund savings of \$129,192 realized with the elimination of the position to purchase computer hardware and software. The agency said the purchase was necessary to support critical electronic health information data systems, provide backup support in the case of power failure, and extend licenses for information technology software tracking systems.

Budget amendment A130013164 removed the antivirus software specific to each budget account as a result of the recommendation and approval by the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) on April 18, 2013, to transition to a Division of Enterprise Information Technology Services antivirus software solution. Fiscal Analysis Division staff requested authority to make technical adjustments to remove agency-specific antivirus software requests should the money committees approve the budget.

Chair Carlton reminded the Subcommittees of the IFC discussions on a universal antivirus software solution.

Chair Carlton responded affirmatively to Assemblyman Horne's question regarding whether the salary savings would be applied to the General Fund for purchase of the computer hardware and software.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN HORNE MOVED TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION IN DECISION UNIT E-607 TO ELIMINATE A BUSINESS PROCESS ANALYST 2 POSITION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF RECOMMENDED COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien, Hickey, and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Chair Carlton requested the Subcommittees review the other closing items on page 15 of [Exhibit C](#). Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN HORNE MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS ONE THROUGH THREE IN BUDGET ACCOUNT 3164 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien, Hickey, and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
SOUTHERN NEVADA ADULT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (101-3161)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-11**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, noted that budget account (BA) 3161 was for the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS). Decision units Enhancement (E) 800, E-801, and E-911 were related to the proposed reorganization and were based on cost-allocation and position-transfer adjustments.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNITS E-800, E-801, AND E-911 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien, Hickey, and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, moved to decision unit Enhancement (E) 230. The Governor recommended budget amendment A13A0085 to add \$3,136,000 in General Fund appropriations over the biennium to provide supported living housing and clinical services for individuals reentering the community from jails, prisons, and forensic hospitals. According to the agency, this amendment addressed the needs of clients with mental illness who were discharged from incarceration by providing "wraparound" services and transitional housing.

Failure to attend treatment appointments, maintain medication, and retain housing often resulted in revocation of probation and/or a return to incarceration. The agency stated the amendment provided for 60 beds annually for clients with mental illness and 50 beds for clients with mental illness and co-occurring substance abuse problems who would stay an average of 90 days. Included in the amendment was \$530,000 for 150 clients to receive clinical services for co-occurring disorders, individual and group sessions, and 100 clients to receive medical detox services. The agency stated the services would begin by August 2013.

Senator Smith requested additional information from the agency on the budget amendment. She was especially interested in the information regarding the medical detox services and whether there was a need for the services when a person was released from prison or jail.

Richard Whitley, Administrator, Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS), Department of Health and Human Services, explained that discharge from jail or prison often occurred with a client put on parole. If there was a violation of the parole or probation by using a substance, the client would usually be sent to jail or prison. The intent of the DMHDS was to provide the client detox and treatment services rather than incarceration.

Senator Smith believed that was a sensible approach. She was curious to know what type of housing would be made available to the parole or probation violators.

Mr. Whitley said it was supported living arrangements for those violators. It was a challenge to find places for them to reside. It appeared that northern Nevada provided more opportunities. The goal was to provide southern Nevada violators with resources to address this population of clients.

In response to Senator Smith's question regarding whether the state had the capacity for this type of client, Mr. Whitley believed there was space available. Although housing was a challenge, typically supported living arrangements could be made available. Supported living consisted of a residential home that rented rooms to persons with mental illness. There were also group-home living situations. Mr. Whitley hoped that if resources were available to support group homes, additional group homes would become available. Congregated living arrangements for the mentally ill population that provided wraparound services seemed to work better than individual homes in the community because the



problems of substance abuse, mental illness, and history of incarceration were better handled in a group-home environment.

Senator Smith asked whether decision unit E-230 was included in the items for special consideration, to which Mr. Whitley stated that it was in the agency budget request.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNIT E-230 (BUDGET AMENDMENT A13A0085) AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Hickey and Kirkpatrick were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision units Enhancement (E) 226 and E-227, which related to closing the downtown Las Vegas outpatient clinic. The Governor recommended closing the clinic and moving the services to the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS) campus on West Charleston (decision unit E-226). The agency stated that moving the services to the West Charleston campus would allow SNAMHS to divert persons from local hospital emergency rooms and provide quicker access to inpatient and outpatient psychiatric services by colocating medical clearance and urgent care programs. By closing the downtown clinic, the agency was projected to save \$721,174 over the biennium in operating expenditures, with those savings used to offset a portion of the approximately \$1 million recommended to pay for two senior psychiatrists and two accounting assistants to help with increased caseload and operating hours.

Mr. Winebarger pointed out that to operate the proposed 24-hour urgent care center, the Governor also recommended additional General Fund appropriations of \$600,000 over the biennium to enable SNAMHS to obtain additional contract psychiatric services (decision unit E-227). If approved, the agency stated it

expected the downtown clinic services would be transferred to SNAMHS before August 31, 2013. Subject to recruitment problems, the agency anticipated services on weekends to begin by December 2013, evening hours by the end of March 2014, and 24 hours a day by March 2015.

According to Mr. Winebarger, after analyzing caseload, location, size, availability of psychiatrists, employee composition, lease options, and duration in the community, the agency concluded the downtown clinic was the best choice for closure to be able to fund an urgent care facility. The agency had solicited and received positive feedback relating to the closure of the downtown clinic through numerous meetings with various stakeholders. However, the agency pointed out that complaints had been received by several clients, advocacy organizations, and family members who had been provided services at the downtown clinic.

Mr. Winebarger noted that supplemental discussions with the agency revealed that the primary goal was to help reduce the incidence of mentally ill in the emergency rooms in the Las Vegas Valley and to be a resource for stabilizing the transient and tourist population. The agency noted that in reviewing the client files, it was determined that people with mental illness visited Las Vegas, "decompensated," and were taken to emergency rooms. The 24-hour operation of an urgent care center would allow for a more efficient and timely treatment to address such situations.

Chair Carlton said she initially had concerns regarding closure of the downtown clinic but was feeling more comfortable.

Assemblyman Horne was not comfortable with the closure of the downtown clinic. He asked the nature of the complaints received regarding the closure because the original plan was to hold weekly meetings to allow stakeholders to provide input and feedback. He did not believe this had been done, and he was curious why the change was made. Additionally, he wanted to know whether there was 24-hour service in Las Vegas available for the mentally ill.

Tracey Green, M.D., Statewide Medical Program Coordinator, Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS), and State Health Officer, Health Division, Department of Health and Human Services, responded there were no current 24-hour outpatient services available in Las Vegas for mentally ill clients. Town hall meetings were being held to allow stakeholders and clients to provide input regarding the closure of the downtown clinic.

Chelsea Szklany, OTR/L, Hospital Administrator, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS), Department of Health and Human Services, stated that the complaints that had been received were from clients who had developed a rapport with staff at the downtown clinic and who had apprehensions about moving to another location. Those clients were allowed to remain at the downtown clinic to foster relationships and move forward with the therapist after the closure. The advocacy organizations supported locations with easy access and bus services; however, being able to walk into a location was a part of the concern of these groups. Arrangements had been made to ensure there would be bus passes available.

Assemblyman Horne expressed a major concern was accessibility via the bus line. Having grown up in southern Nevada, he was aware of the limitations of public transportation in the area. He was familiar with the location of the downtown clinic and with the West Charleston facility. He believed it was more difficult for clients to get to the West Charleston location than to the downtown location.

Ms. Szklany believed that clients could easily get to both facilities. The east Las Vegas clinic had become more popular because it was a one-bus location from downtown. Clients often visited the West Charleston campus for various activities and services that were not available at the downtown clinic. She agreed that better transportation services would be a solution, but clients were able to get to the West Charleston location.

Dr. Green clarified that the West Charleston campus was the Rawson-Neal Psychiatric Hospital campus where the urgent care facility was located. The east Las Vegas clinic was an outpatient clinic. After examining the zip codes where clients resided, it was determined that many of the clients who used the downtown clinic were originating from an area closer to the east Las Vegas clinic but used the downtown clinic because of the walk-in opportunity. Originally, the downtown clinic was only a walk-in clinic and no appointments were made. Clients were now given the opportunity to make appointments. There were about 74 clients receiving services on both a walk-in and appointment basis.

Responding to Assemblyman Horne, Ms. Szklany said that the Rawson-Neal campus was not a one-stop bus route from downtown, but it was on a one-stop

route from University Medical Center of Southern Nevada and from social services.

Chair Carlton asked Assemblyman Horne if he was comfortable with the closure of the downtown clinic. Assemblyman Horne responded that he was not convinced that closing the downtown clinic was a positive decision.

Chair Carlton suggested Assemblyman Horne work closely with Fiscal Analysis Division staff to decide whether other options might be available. Chair Carlton advised the Subcommittees that there would be no action on decision unit E-226, closure of the downtown clinic, at this time.

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision unit Enhancement (E) 350, aftercare housing and treatment on page 19 of [Exhibit C](#). Having identified the need for a program for homeless persons suffering with substance dependencies and serious mental illnesses, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS) applied for a supportive housing program grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Governor recommended \$825,106 in federal funds from HUD for aftercare housing and treatment for 38 clients qualifying for treatment under this program. The agency explained that clients entering the program had to meet three eligibility requirements:

1. They must be diagnosed with a serious mental illness.
2. They must have successfully completed a level 2 co-occurring disorder program.
3. They must meet HUD's homeless criteria for a supportive housing program.

As clients received income through employment or entitlement programs, they were required to pay up to 30 percent of their rent, allowing the agency to serve additional clients.

Chair Carlton expressed concern regarding the 30 percent payment. It was difficult for clients to find a place to live when there were difficulties with credit or other problems. Because these were federal funds, she was unclear whether the 30 percent requirement was a federal or state guideline and requested the agency clarify.

Richard Whitley, Administrator, Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), explained the 30 percent requirement was a condition of the federal grant.

In response to Chair Carlton, Mr. Whitley stated that the DHHS planned to work with consumers at identified locations to secure reasonable rental rates.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION  
TO APPROVE DECISION UNIT E-350 FOR AFTERCARE HOUSING  
AND TREATMENT FOR HOMELESS PERSONS SUFFERING WITH  
CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, advised the Subcommittees that decision unit Enhancement (E) 228 related to decision unit E-228 in the DPBH Administration budget account (BA) 3168. The Governor recommended adding one additional full-time-equivalent, first-year psychiatric resident from the University of Nevada School of Medicine (UNSOM) residency program to the staff at the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS). The UNSOM psychiatry residency program in Las Vegas was certified by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education for 24 resident positions per year and had assigned 7 of these positions to SNAMHS. Approval of decision unit E-228 would bring the number of residents at SNAMHS to eight.

Mr. Winebarger stated that SNAMHS believed the presence of the residency program provided the indirect benefit of maintaining an academic environment, improving patient care, and attracting doctors interested in being teachers for their junior colleagues. The Governor recommended General Fund appropriations of \$141,372 over the 2013-2015 biennium for the additional resident.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION  
UNIT E-228 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, provided information on decision unit Maintenance (M) 101, agency-specific inflation. The Governor recommended a General Fund appropriation of \$1,051,408 and pharmacy sales revenues from the Division of Child and Family Services of \$12,518 over the 2013-2015 biennium because of medication inflation. The agency provided information from Moody's Analytics that projected medication inflation rates of 4.3 percent for fiscal year (FY) 2014 and an additional 4.2 percent for FY 2015.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION  
UNIT M-101 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hambrick was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, provided information on decision unit Enhancement (E) 231, statewide psychiatric medical director. The Governor recommended eliminating the vacant medical program coordinator position and one vacant part-time senior psychiatrist position to be able to continue the funding of the contracted statewide psychiatric medical director. The agency stated the position was needed to maintain licensure in state hospitals and to provide consistent leadership and reshape the medical culture at the state hospitals.

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Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNIT E-231 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

ASSEMBLYMAN HORNE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hambrick was not present for the vote.)

Chair Carlton requested the Subcommittees briefly review the other closing items listed on pages 20, 21, and 22 of [Exhibit C](#). There being no questions or discussion, Chair Carlton requested a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS ONE THROUGH NINE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hambrick was not present for the vote.)

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
NORTHERN NEVADA ADULT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (101-3162)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-27**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, advised the Subcommittees that decision units Enhancement (E) 800, E-801, and E-908 in budget account (BA) 3162 were related to the consolidation of the Mental Health agencies of the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (DMHDS) with the Health Division to create a Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH).

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Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNITS E-800, E-801, AND E-908 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR UPON THE CREATION OF A DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Hambrick was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, discussed decision unit Enhancement (E) 230, budget amendment A13A0083 which added \$984,000 in General Fund appropriations over the biennium to provide supported living housing for persons reentering the community from jails, prisons, and forensic hospitals. This amendment was the companion to the amendment submitted for the Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS) budget. The difference between the SNAMHS budget amendment and this budget amendment was that there were no counseling and medical detox slots budgeted for northern Nevada. In contrast, the amendment for SNAMHS recommended \$830,000 per fiscal year for co-occurring counseling and detox services. The agency stated these types of services were not available in northern Nevada. The agency advised that clients with critical needs could be placed in appropriate facilities in southern Nevada if necessary. This amendment provided 40 beds for approximately one year for clients with mental health problems.

Chair Carlton commented she was surprised there were no services in northern Nevada to accommodate this type of client. Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT A13A0083 (DECISION UNIT E-230) AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.



ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, directed the Subcommittees' attention to decision unit Maintenance (M) 501, residential services for out-of-state youth. Because of the Olmstead decision, Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) was required to place five aged-out youths returning from out-of-state placement into a community setting. To provide necessary mental health treatment and high levels of supervision to maintain a safe environment, the Governor recommended General Funds of \$1,702,176 for the 2013-2015 biennium to contract with providers for residential services. The supervision level included an attendant 24 hours a day for each youth placed in the community. While this recommendation was based on five youths returning to the state on July 1, the agency noted two aged-out youths had already returned to Nevada, and the three remaining youths were expected to arrive between October 2013 and March 2014. If the three youths that were anticipated to arrive between October 2013 and March 2014 were considered to arrive on January 1, 2014, then only six months of service would be needed in the first year for these three youths. In that case, the recommended General Fund appropriations could be reduced by \$255,325 in fiscal year (FY) 2014.

Mr. Winebarger suggested the Subcommittees could consider two options:

1. Approve the Governor's recommendation to increase General Fund appropriations by \$851,088 each year to provide housing and mental health services for aged-out youth returning to Nevada.
2. Modify the Governor's recommendation and increase General Fund appropriations by \$595,763 in FY 2014 and \$851,088 in FY 2015 to provide housing and mental health services for five aged-out youth returning to Nevada consistent with anticipated return dates.

Senator Kieckhefer requested additional information from the agency regarding why this was an appropriate level of care of the aged-out youth rather than placement in an intermediate care facility.

Richard Whitley, Administrator, Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services, Department of Health and Human Services, explained these were complex cases. The youths were placed outside the state because Nevada did not have facilities that could care appropriately for them. The least restrictive environment was to begin a transitional program to overlap with the discharge plan from out-of-state placement to in-state. Mr. Whitley anticipated being able to transition the youths to living in the communities. If the youths moved from a high security institution with intense treatment to an intermediate care facility, there was a risk the client would be institutionalized for life. The transition had to begin with "wraparound" services in the community.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MODIFICATION TO THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR DECISION UNIT M-501 AND INCREASE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS BY \$595,763 IN FY 2014 AND \$851,088 IN FY 2015 AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, noted that decision unit Maintenance (M) 200 addressed caseload increases in the Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) Medication Clinic. The Governor recommended additional revenues of \$319,199 [\$298,612 in General Funds] over the 2013-2015 biennium to fund projected caseload growth for the NNAMHS Medication Clinic. The NNAMHS projected average caseload was 3,267 clients for fiscal year (FY) 2014 and 3,324 clients for FY 2015. Although caseload projections for FY 2014 and FY 2015 were slightly lower than originally projected, they appeared reasonable to staff.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR \$319,199 [\$298,612 IN GENERAL FUNDS] IN DECISION UNIT M-200 TO FUND THE PROJECTED CASELOAD GROWTH FOR THE NNAMHS MEDICATION CLINIC.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Horne was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, stated that the Governor recommended [M-201] additional revenues of \$402,769 [\$391,524 in General Funds] over the 2013-2015 biennium to fund projected caseload growth for the Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Court and to add a 0.51 full-time-equivalent (FTE) psychiatric caseworker 2 position. The Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Service (NNAMHS) projected an average monthly caseload of 191 clients for fiscal year (FY) 2014 and 195 clients for FY 2015 in The Executive Budget. However, the agency's current projections showed caseload averages could increase to 204 clients in FY 2014 and 208 clients in FY 2015, an increase over the original projections of 13 clients each year.

Mr. Winebarger noted that to fund the revised projected supported living arrangement (SLA) placements at \$779 per slot, the agency required additional General Fund appropriations of \$121,524 each year of the biennium. The projected increase in costs for SLA placements, plus the original projections for SLA costs and the recommended part-time position resulted in an increase in decision unit M-201 to \$304,620 in FY 2014 and \$341,197 in FY 2015.

Mr. Winebarger suggested the Subcommittees consider the following two options with respect to decision unit M-201:

1. Approve the Governor's recommendation to increase funding by \$183,096 in FY 2014 and \$219,673 in FY 2015 to provide funding for a new 0.51 FTE psychiatric caseworker 2 position and an average of 191 SLA placements in FY 2014 and 195 SLA placements in FY 2015.
2. Modify the Governor's recommendation and increase in M-201 funding to \$304,620 in FY 2014 and \$341,197 in FY 2015 to provide SLA

placements of 204 in FY 2014 and 208 in FY 2015 and a new 0.51 FTE psychiatric caseworker 2 position.

Chair Carlton commented that it appeared that if the Subcommittees approved the Governor's recommendation, the agency could appear before the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) for additional funding, if necessary, but that would not include the new position. The difference between the two was higher caseload growth. Mr. Winebarger agreed.

Assemblyman Kirner commented that he believed the first option would be appropriate because the agency could come to IFC. The reasoning had to do with the vacancy rate.

Assemblyman Sprinkle asked whether the numbers were absolute. It appeared the agency required the money, and it would be up to the Legislature to provide the funding now or at an upcoming IFC meeting.

Mr. Winebarger explained the caseload projections were as of February 2013 and the projections could increase or decrease. If the caseload was higher than the 191 projected, the agency would have to come before IFC to fund positions and provide services. The projections could also decrease from the 204 projected.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S  
RECOMMENDATION TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR M-201 BY  
\$183,096 IN FY 2014 AND \$219,673 IN FY 2015.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Horne and Bobzien were  
not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, next reviewed decision unit Maintenance (M) 202, caseload increases and supported living arrangements. The Governor recommended additional General Fund appropriations of \$512,552 over the biennium to fund projected caseload growth for supported living arrangements (SLA). The decision unit

was based on recommended caseloads of 244 clients for fiscal year (FY) 2014 and 248 clients for FY 2015. However, revised caseload projections showed the average monthly caseload had declined to 221 clients for FY 2014 and 225 clients for FY 2015, a decrease of 23 placements each year. By applying the weighted average cost of SLAs (\$845 for FY 2014 and \$848 for FY 2015) to the difference between the original and revised caseload projections, Fiscal Analysis Division staff calculated the agency's SLA caseload adjustment to be zero in FY 2014 and \$47,524 in FY 2015.

Mr. Winebarger suggested the Subcommittees might consider these two options:

1. Approve the Governor's recommendation to increase General Fund appropriations by \$512,552 to provide SLAs based on original caseload projections.
2. Modify the Governor's recommendation and not increase General Fund appropriations in FY 2014 and increase General Fund appropriations by \$47,524 in FY 2015 to provide SLAs based on revised caseload projections.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED NOT TO INCREASE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS IN FY 2014 AND INCREASE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS BY \$47,524 IN FY 2015 TO PROVIDE SUPPORTED LIVING ARRANGEMENTS BASED ON REVISED CASELOAD PROJECTIONS.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien and Horne were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, moved to decision unit Enhancement (E) 227, the increased staffing for the psychiatric observation unit at Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services. The Governor recommended contracting with a psychiatric Nurse and an administrative assistant on a part-time basis to provide after-hours medical

clearance to support the psychiatric assessment services/psychiatric observation unit and in-patient units as needed to help reduce inappropriate use of local hospital emergency rooms. The Governor recommended \$136,674 in additional General Fund appropriations to fund these services over the biennium. Medical clearance was provided Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Approval of this decision unit extended medical clearance services to 7 p.m. each weekday.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR PARKS MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNIT E-227 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien and Horne were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, noted that decision unit Maintenance (M) 101 related to inflation for medications. The Governor recommended General Fund revenues of \$193,250 and pharmacy sales revenues from the Division of Child and Family Services of \$43,049 over the 2013-2015 biennium for medication inflation. The agency provided information from Moody's Analytics that projected medication inflation rates of 4.3 percent for fiscal year (FY) 2014 and an additional 4.2 percent for FY 2015.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR DECISION UNIT M-101 FOR GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS OF \$193,250 AND PHARMACY SALES REVENUES OF \$43,049 OVER THE 2013-2015 BIENNIUM FOR MEDICATION INFLATION.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien and Horne were not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, advised the Subcommittees that decision unit Maintenance (M) 102 was related to food inflation. Based on a letter from the current food vendor, the Governor recommended additional General Funds of \$176,654 each year of the 2013-2015 biennium for inflation of client food expenditures at the Dini-Townsend Psychiatric Hospital. The total cost recommended was \$277,309 per fiscal year.

Mr. Winebarger stated that Fiscal Analysis Division staff noted the Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) based the calculations on a 4 percent increase effective July 1, 2013, rather than January 1, 2014, when the new contract was scheduled to begin. By applying the contracted meal rate (including a 4 percent increase beginning on January 1, 2014) to the estimated number of people served at the hospital, staff calculated meal costs of \$247,732 for fiscal year (FY) 2014 and \$252,562 for FY 2015 based on an average census of 25 beds at the hospital and 10 beds in the psychiatric observation unit. In contrast, using an incorrect rate and full capacity, the NNAMHS calculated the cost of meals at \$352,590 per year.

Mr. Winebarger suggested the Subcommittees consider the following options for food inflation in decision unit M-102:

1. Approve the Governor's recommendation to increase General Fund appropriations by \$176,654 per fiscal year to provide meals at the Dini-Townsend Psychiatric Hospital.
2. Modify the Governor's recommendation and increase General Fund appropriations by \$71,796 in FY 2014 and \$76,626 in FY 2015 to provide meals at the Dini-Townsend Psychiatric Hospital.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO MODIFY THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION AND INCREASE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR DECISION UNIT M-102 BY \$71,796 FOR FY 2014 AND \$76,626 IN FY 2015.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN KIRKPATRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblymen Bobzien and Horne were not present for the vote.)

Chair Carlton requested the Subcommittees review the other closing items 1 through 11 on pages 28, 29, and 30 of [Exhibit C](#). Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OTHER CLOSING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11 AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN KIRKPATRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblyman Bobzien were not present for the vote.)

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
FACILITY FOR THE MENTAL OFFENDER (101-3645)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-69**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, advised the Subcommittees that budget account (BA) 3645 was the Lakes Crossing Center for mental offenders.

Mr. Winebarger began the presentation on page 31 of [Exhibit C](#), decision unit Enhancement (E) 226 for overtime, holiday, and shift differential pay. The Governor recommended General Funds of \$309,338 over the biennium for overtime, holiday, and shift differential pay for agency staff. The agency stated that as a 24-hour facility, holiday and shift differential pay were a necessary cost of operation. The 2011 Legislature approved the elimination of 21.49 full-time-equivalent (FTE) positions from the Lakes Crossing budget account for the 2011-2013 biennium. The Executive Budget for the 2013-2015 biennium did not restore any of the positions.



The Legislature, according to Mr. Winebarger, had historically included overtime, holiday, and shift differential pay in the Lakes Crossing recommended base budget. Fiscal Analysis Division staff agreed that based on recent position reductions and operating a 24-hour-a-day facility, this type of pay was necessary. However, based on overtime, holiday, and shift differential expenditures estimated by the Fiscal Analysis Division staff, the amounts recommended by the Governor required the agency to submit work programs to the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) because there was a lack of expense authority in the Personnel category. As reflected in the table on page 32 of [Exhibit C](#), Fiscal Analysis Division staff projected the Governor's recommended budget for overtime, holiday, and shift differential pay would lead to a combined shortfall in authority of \$100,139 in each year of the 2013-2015 biennium.

Rather than approve an enhancement that would likely not meet the needs of the agency, Fiscal Analysis Division staff recommended the Subcommittees consider increasing the amount of the enhancement to the amount of the projected expenditures, thereby eliminating the need for a work program. However, the Subcommittees may wish not to augment the decision unit and instruct Lakes Crossing to appear before IFC when it determined a more accurate need.

Senator Smith believed the situation at Lakes Crossing was unique. It was difficult to predict overtime needs because of the type of client served. She believed the Governor's recommendation should be modified.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MODIFICATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION BY INCREASING DECISION UNIT E-226 BY \$100,139 EACH YEAR FOR A TOTAL OF \$254,808 EACH FISCAL YEAR OF THE 2013-2015 BIENNIUM AND TO FUND WITH A GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblyman Bobzien were not present for the vote.)

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Chair Carlton requested the Subcommittees quickly review the other closing items one through five on pages 32, 33, and 34 of [Exhibit C](#). Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS ONE THROUGH FIVE ON PAGES 32, 33, AND 34 OF [EXHIBIT C](#) AS RECOMMENDED BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF AND TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYMAN KIRNER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Senator Kieckhefer and Assemblyman Bobzien were not present for the vote.)

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
RURAL CLINICS (101-3648)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-75**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, pointed out that budget account (BA) 3648 was for the Rural Clinics. Decision units Enhancement (E) 800 and E-801 were cost-allocation adjustments, and decision unit E-908 reflected the necessary position transfers based on integration of the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD), the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services, and the Health Division.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNITS E-800, E-801, AND E-908 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR IF THE REORGANIZATION WAS APPROVED IN CLOSING THE MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT (BA 3168) AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, addressed decision unit Enhancement (E) 225 for new positions. The Governor recommended the addition of a management analyst 2 position and an administrative assistant 2 position to assist with the Prescription Assistance Program (PAP), which provided free medications to treat mental health symptoms for low-income and indigent clients and to assist with community transition for these clients. Filling the positions would allow clinicians more time to provide services to clients. The Governor recommended General Fund appropriations of \$179,770 over the 2013-2015 biennium for the positions. The agency stated that it saved \$721,148 in prescription costs under the PAP program in fiscal year (FY) 2011 and \$793,872 in FY 2012. Future savings were projected to average between \$450,000 and \$550,000 per year as use of generic medications increased.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR DECISION UNIT E-225 FOR THE ADDITION OF A MANAGEMENT ANALYST 2 AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT 2 POSITION TO ASSIST WITH THE PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, directed the Subcommittee's attention to the request for new equipment in decision unit Enhancement (E) 721. The Governor recommended General Fund appropriations of \$30,000 over the 2013-2015 biennium for the purchase of ten electrocardiogram (EKG) machines to be placed at the Rural Clinics' sites. In fiscal year (FY) 2012, Rural Clinics received UnitedHealth

Settlement funds from the Office of the Attorney General to provide telemedicine and laboratory services in rural Nevada. Rural Clinics allocated \$15,000 of this award to contract with the Renown Hospital EKG Mobile Unit for FY 2012 and FY 2013. Rather than renew the contract, Rural Clinics was proposing to purchase EKG machines and test clients at its clinics. Rural Clinics staff said its community health nursing staff could perform these tasks if the consolidation was approved. The agency projected 250 to 300 EKGs per year would be performed. The agency stated these services were mandated to prescribe "Black Label" drugs to clients to help ensure adverse effects would not jeopardize the medical health of mental health clients.

Assemblyman Hambrick asked whether the requested appropriation included training to operate the EKG machines.

Tracey Green, M.D., Statewide Medical Program Coordinator, Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services, and State Health Officer, Health Division, Department of Health and Human Services, responded that the cost included training in operation of the EKG machines.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions or further discussion. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION IN DECISION UNIT E-721 TO PURCHASE TEN EKG MACHINES FOR \$15,000 IN EACH FISCAL YEAR OF THE 2013-2015 BIENNIUM.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, directed the Subcommittees' attention to decision unit Maintenance (M) 101, agency-specific inflation. The Governor recommended General Fund appropriations of \$24,227 over the 2013-2015 biennium to address medication inflation.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN KIRKPATRICK MOVED TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION IN DECISION UNIT M-101 FOR APPROPRIATIONS OF \$24,227 OVER THE 2013-2015 BIENNIUM TO ADDRESS MEDICATION INFLATION.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

Chair Carlton requested the Subcommittees review and consider other closing items one through eight on pages 37, 38, and 39 of [Exhibit C](#).

In response to Assemblyman Horne, Mr. Winebarger said that item two was for 95 desktop computers. The agencies had not been allowed to purchase new equipment in the last biennium; therefore, this request appeared reasonable to staff. The computers would be distributed to all of the Rural Clinics.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any other questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE CLOSING ITEMS ONE THROUGH EIGHT AS RECOMMENDED BY FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF AND TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS AS NECESSARY.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN KIRKPATRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION & TREATMENT AGENCY (101-3170)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-59**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, directed the Subcommittees' attention to budget account (BA) 3170, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency. In the cost-allocation decision units Enhancement (E) 800 and E-801, the Governor recommended adjustments to the cost-allocation plan based on the transfer of administrative personnel resulting from the proposed divisional reorganization.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION UNITS E-800 AND E-801 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR CONTINGENT ON THE APPROVAL OF THE REORGANIZATION IN CLOSING THE MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT BA 3168.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, directed the Subcommittee's attention to decision units Enhancement (E) 249 and E-250. In April 2012, the Audit Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) completed an audit of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA) concentrating on the agency's grant subrecipient oversight activities. The audit found that SAPTA needed to improve its oversight of subrecipients to ensure audit requirements were met. The audit also found that SAPTA's direct fiscal monitoring of subrecipients was inadequate.

Mr. Winebarger advised that to address the audit findings, the agency had revised and developed new procedures and subgrant agreements as recommended by the LCB Audit Division. To implement the new and revised procedures, the Governor recommended General Fund appropriations of

\$121,681 to fund a management analyst 3 position. It was also recommended that the agency reduce block grant expenditures to community providers by \$109,219 to fund a quality assurance specialist 2. The agency said the management analyst 3 would provide oversight and supervision of two positions in a new grant-monitoring group responsible for the timeliness and completion of audits of SAPTA's grant subrecipients. The quality assurance specialist 2 position would oversee the program monitoring for timeliness and follow-up by the treatment team who managed the contracts and grants for 22 service providers.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE DECISION  
UNITS E-249 AND E-250 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE  
GOVERNOR.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN KIRKPATRICK SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (Assemblyman Bobzien was not present  
for the vote.)

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, reviewed decision unit Enhancement (E) 230 regarding changes to licensure and certification requirements. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) submitted Senate Bill (S.B.) 501 to change the licensure and certification requirements for facilities that provided treatment for alcohol or drug abuse. Facilities that received funding from the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA) were now required to be certified by SAPTA and licensed by the Health Division. The DHHS stated that having one agency provide both licensure and certification would provide efficiencies and cost savings for the facilities. The Governor recommended reducing SAPTA's federal grant revenues which funded the cost of a contractor to conduct certification reviews to \$401,610 over the 2013-2015 biennium.

Chair Carlton requested clarification from the agency.

Richard Whitley, Administrator, Health Division, and Administrator, Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), explained that decision unit E-230 consolidated the regulatory

oversight of drug and alcohol treatment facilities. At the present time, SAPTA funded block grant contractors to credential drug and alcohol treatment providers. The Bureau of Health Care Quality Compliance (HCQC) licensed the same facilities. For efficiency purposes, the DHHS proposed HCQC also provide the certification and inspection of the health facilities. This provided a savings in the block grant that could be directed toward treatment.

Chair Carlton replied that approval of decision unit E-230 would not decrease the block grant but would provide savings that could be used in other areas as specified in the block grant. If the Subcommittees approved decision unit E-230, it would not be put into place unless S.B. 501 was approved.

Senator Kieckhefer advised the Subcommittees that S.B. 501 had recently been approved in the Senate.

Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick commented that she favored improvements in SAPTA. If S.B. 501 was not passed, she was curious whether decision unit E-230 could be reopened.

Alex Haartz, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, responded that the funds would be in the budget, and it would be up to the agency to repurpose the funds if S.B. 501 was not passed.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any other questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN KIRKPATRICK MOVED TO APPROVE  
DECISION UNIT E-230 AND REDUCE SAPTA BLOCK GRANT  
REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,805  
EACH YEAR OF THE 2013-2015 BIENNIUM.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chair Carlton requested the Subcommittees review other closing items one through four on pages 42 and 43 of [Exhibit C](#). Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.



SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE OTHER CLOSING ITEMS ONE, THREE, AND FOUR AND TO AUTHORIZE FISCAL ANALYSIS DIVISION STAFF TO ADJUST OTHER CLOSING ITEM TWO FOLLOWING THE ACTION OF THE MONEY COMMITTEES AND TO MAKE NECESSARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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**HUMAN SERVICES  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
ALCOHOL TAX PROGRAM (101-3255)  
BUDGET PAGE DHHS-BEHAVIORAL HLTH-68**

Mark Winebarger, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, directed the Subcommittees' attention to budget account 3255. Fiscal Analysis Division staff was responsible for developing closing recommendations for this account. The Subcommittees had not previously reviewed this budget account.

Mr. Winebarger noted that for the 2013-2015 biennium, the Governor's recommended budget reflected slight increases in liquor tax revenues allocated to the Alcohol Tax Program. In fiscal year (FY) 2012, this budget account received \$1,045,418 in liquor tax revenue. For FY 2013, liquor tax revenues were budgeted at \$957,521. Based on revenues posted to this account through April 18, 2013, it appeared liquor tax revenues would total about \$1 million for FY 2013. Liquor tax revenues projected for FY 2014 and FY 2015 appeared reasonable to staff.

Mr. Winebarger stated that transfers to programs that provided services for the prevention of alcohol abuse and alcoholism had been recommended to increase from the legislatively approved amount of \$957,521 for FY 2013 to \$1 million for FY 2014 and \$1.1 million for FY 2015.

Chair Carlton asked whether there were any questions. There being none, Chair Carlton called for a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE MOVED TO APPROVE BUDGET  
ACCOUNT 3255 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GOVERNOR.

SENATOR SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Chair Carlton opened the hearing for public comments.

Kevin Quint, Chairperson of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA) Advisory Board; Chair, Commission on Mental Health and Developmental Services; and Executive Director, JOIN Together Northern Nevada, commented that there was a gap between the start of the fiscal year and the start of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). He did not believe that 100 percent of eligible enrollees could be enrolled by January 1, 2014. He was uncertain who would pay for services for those who were not enrolled by that date.

Mr. Quint believed that Medicaid would not pay for all of the services that SAPTA paid. For example, a client who had only a substance abuse disorder and not a mental health disorder was not eligible for therapeutic services reimbursed by Medicaid.

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There being no additional comments or questions, the meeting was adjourned  
at 10:22 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Linda Blevins  
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton, Chair

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Senator Debbie Smith, Chair

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBITS**

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