

BDR 16-574

SB 351

EXECUTIVE AGENCY FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: April 3, 2015

Agency Submitting: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public and Behavioral Health

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
Contractual (Expense)		\$404,695	\$539,594	\$1,079,187
Travel (Expense)		\$12,326	\$16,398	\$32,796
Operating (Expense)		\$2,089	\$2,773	\$5,546
Information Technology (Expense)		\$7,007	\$318	\$636
Total	0	\$426,117	\$559,083	\$1,118,165

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

Section 25 of BDR 16-574 requires the Division of Public and Behavioral Health to monitor the quality of care for mental health and habilitation for offenders placed in isolated confinement in facilities and institutions of the Department of Corrections.

There are approximately 400 inmates with a diagnosis of Serious Mental Illness (SMI) at statewide correctional institutions. Given the diagnosis of SMI, often these inmates will require solitary confinement during the term of their sentence. The number of solitary confinement incidents, frequency and duration are difficult to determine as the Division of Public and Behavioral Health does not currently monitor the mental health services in the prison.

In order to comply with section 25, the Division has estimated it may need to contract with a Psychiatrist, a Psychiatric Nurse, a Licensed Psychologist (or Licensed Clinical Social Worker) and an Administrative Assistant.

In addition to contract and certain operating costs, this fiscal note includes travel costs to various correctional institutions.

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS

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The agency's response appears reasonable.

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