May 17, 2006

H 2082. INCREASE MH/DD/SA CRISIS SERVICES. Filed 5/17/06. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR START-UP CRISIS SERVICES, TO HIRE A CONSULTANT TO ASSIST AREA AUTHORITIES AND COUNTY PROGRAMS DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO CREATE A CONTINUUM OF CRISIS SERVICES, TO PAY FOR CRISIS SERVICES FOR NON-MEDICAID ELIGIBLE INDIGENT INDIVIDUALS, TO ENSURE ACCESS TO CORE PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES, AND TO EXTEND THE SUNSET FOR THE FIRST COMMITMENT PILOT PROGRAM AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES*. Appropriates $10.5 million for 2006-07 from the General Fund to the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) for crisis services as title indicates. Appropriates $9 million for 2006-07 from General Fund to DHHS to be allocated to area authorities and county programs on a per capita basis to pay for crises services to indigent non-Medicaid eligible adults who have no other third-party payment source. Appropriates $9 million for 2006-07 from General Fund to DHHS to be allocated to area authorities and county programs on a per capita basis to pay for community psychiatric services. Appropriates $425,000 for 2006-07 from General Fund to the General Assembly Legislative Services Commission for use by the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on MH/DD/SA Services to hire one or more consultants to provide technical assistance to Local Management Entities to develop and implement crisis services plans. Sets out requirements that area authorities and county programs and crisis regions report monthly to the consultant and the Division and that the consultant report regularly to the General Assembly. Amends SL 2003-178 to extend the sunset for the First Commitment Pilot Program from July 1, 2006, to October 1, 2007. Effective July 1, 2006.
Intro. by Insko. APPROP

June 5, 2006

H 2082. INCREASE MH/DD/SA CRISIS SERVICES. Filed 5/17/06. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Specifies the method of allocating $10.5 million to develop and implement crisis plans. Redirects funding for a consultant from the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), directing DHHS to hire the consultant and setting forth specific responsibilities to be performed by the consultant hired. Requires DHHS to submit quarterly reports to the Fiscal Research Division. Renumbers the sections of the bill.