BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.: HCR1004
Version: Introduced
Request Number: 12534
Author: Speaker Hilbert/ PPT Paxton
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Impact: Three to Five Yr. Impact: \$26-45 Million

Research Analysis

HCR 1004 approves the consent decree for Briggs v. Friesen (case No:23-cv-00081-GKF-JFJ). The decree requires the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to reform its delivery of competency evaluations and restoration treatment for individuals that are found incompetent to stand trial in state criminal court proceedings.

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Fiscal Analysis

The Consent Decree which is the subject of HCR 1004 has an estimated total cost range of \$26 – 45 Million over a 3 to 5 year period. Completing requirements of the consent decree sooner than later will limit the length of the consent decree period; however, agency programming adopted during the consent decree and associated costs are likely to continue at the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, (DMHSAS), even after the state has been released from such consent decree.

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Other Considerations

None.

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