

HOUSE BILL No. 1321

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: Study of state mental health hospitals. Urges the legislative council to assign the study of Indiana's mental health hospital system to a study committee during the 2021 legislative interim.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 14, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.



First Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2021)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning human services.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **As used in this**
- 2 **SECTION, "legislative council" refers to the legislative council**
- 3 **created by IC 2-5-1.1-1.**
- 4 (b) **As used in this SECTION, "study committee" means either**
- 5 **of the following:**
- 6 (1) **A statutory committee established under IC 2-5.**
- 7 (2) **An interim study committee.**
- 8 (c) **The legislative council is urged to assign to the appropriate**
- 9 **study committee during the 2021 interim the task of studying**
- 10 **Indiana's mental health hospital system, including the following:**
- 11 (1) **The need for state operated mental health hospitals in**
- 12 **Indiana.**
- 13 (2) **The capacity of the mental health hospitals.**
- 14 (3) **The wait time to receive inpatient services from the mental**
- 15 **health hospitals.**
- 16 (4) **The geographic availability of the mental health hospitals.**
- 17 (5) **The role and capacity of community mental health centers**
- 18 **to provide inpatient mental health services.**



1 **(6) Any changes that are needed to improve Indiana's mental**
2 **health hospital system.**
3 **(d) If an appropriate study committee is assigned the topics**
4 **described under subsection (c), the study committee shall issue to**
5 **the legislative council a final report containing the study**
6 **committee's findings and recommendations, including any**
7 **recommended legislation concerning the topics, in an electronic**
8 **format under IC 5-14-6 not later than November 1, 2021.**
9 **(e) This SECTION expires December 31, 2021.**
10 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

