

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1681 - HB 2061

February 12, 2024

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (013656): Establishes that when an individual is to be released from involuntary commitment due to a mental illness or serious emotional disturbance, the chief officer of the inpatient treatment facility must notify, by electronic means, the county sheriff with jurisdiction over the location where: (1) the service recipient permanently resides, if the service recipient is a resident of the state; or (2) the inpatient treatment facility is located, if the service recipient is not a resident of this state.

Effective October 1, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 33-3-117, inpatient treatment facilities are required to report to local law enforcement when a service recipient or patient is involuntarily committed to inpatient treatment.
- Requiring inpatient facilities to report to local law enforcement upon the release of an individual from involuntary treatment will not have a significant impact on the Regional Mental Health Institutes or the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.
- Any impact on local law enforcement can be absorbed within existing personnel and resources, without an increase in expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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