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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a person who has been found to be a sexually violent person and involuntarily committed to the Department of Health Services for control, care, and treatment, may periodically petition the court for supervised release. If a court

determines that supervised release is appropriate, the court must select a county (usually the person's county of residence) to prepare a report that includes prospective residential options for the person within 60 days.

Under this bill, if a court determines that supervised release is appropriate, the court must order the person's county of residence to prepare a report that identifies one appropriate residence for the person. The county must create a temporary committee to prepare the report for the county and, under this bill, the county must prepare the report within 120 days of the order. A county that does not comply violates the person's rights as a patient and the county is subject to enforcement and damages for each violation, and each day beyond the 120 days constitutes a separate violation.

One District Attorney stated this legislation would have significant impact on her county because, as the elected District Attorney, she believes law enforcement would include her in the committee drafting the mandatory report. She estimated the fiscal impact on her county at \$15,000 per year. No other responses were provided. Therefore, the fiscal impact is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The long-range fiscal implications of this legislation on district attorneys offices are indeterminate.