

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	17-2364/1	Introduction Number	AB-0418	Estimate Type	Original
Description discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, education, insurance coverage, jury duty, and the receipt of mental health or vocational rehabilitation services on the basis of a person's gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, no employees, prospective employees, patients, residents, or consumers of services provided under Chapter 51 at approved treatment facilities may be discriminated against because of their age, race, creed, color, sex or handicap. This bill would replace handicap with disability, and also include sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression to the list of individuals who cannot be discriminated against. The regulations would apply to any publicly or privately operated facility, or unit thereof, which provides treatment for alcoholic, drug dependent, mentally ill, or developmentally disabled persons. These facilities include, but are not limited to, inpatient and outpatient treatment programs, community support programs and rehabilitation programs.

This bill is not expected to significantly increase or decrease the Department's overall workload and therefore will not have a measurable fiscal effect on DHS.

This bill would require local health agencies and any facility, or unit thereof, they operate which provides treatment for alcoholic, drug dependent, mentally ill, or developmentally disabled persons to include sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression to the list of individuals who cannot be discriminated against. This bill is not expected to significantly increase or decrease local health agency's overall workload and therefore will not have a measurable fiscal effect on local health agencies.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications