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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, an individual convicted of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated must submit to an assessment of the individual's use of alcohol, controlled substances, or their analogs. The administrative rules for these assessments of drivers with alcohol or controlled substance problems are established by the Department of Health Services. The assessments are made by an approved assessment facility, which is then responsible for developing the individual's driver safety plan. The safety plan may include substance abuse treatment.

Current DHS rules require if the assessment makes a finding of dependency, suspected dependency, or dependency in remission for an individual, the individual's driver safety plan must recommend substance abuse treatment. This bill would require that all driver safety plans which recommend substance abuse treatment also include an evaluation for the appropriateness of medication-assisted treatment for the person.

This bill does not place any additional requirements on the Department of Health Services. Because assessment fees are paid by individuals ordered by a court to submit to an assessment and cannot be reduced or waived, it is not expected that local agencies would see increased costs due to the new evaluation.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications