

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DHS 2/18/2022

LRB Number 21-5748/1	Introduction Number SB-901	Estimate Type Original
Description grants to mental health clubhouses		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under this bill, DHS would provide up to \$500,000 GPR in annual grants to mental health clubhouses. The maximum amount each clubhouse would be eligible to receive is \$50,000 annually. To receive the grant funding, each clubhouse must provide a match equal to the grant award, exist in a space separate from a mental health center or institution, and be accredited by Clubhouse International. Members of the clubhouse must be diagnosed with, and receive treatment for, a mental health illness and be offered the opportunity to participate in the administration and operation of the club. All members must voluntarily participate in activities and services.

To support this program, the Department will need a LTE Human Services Program Coordinator at a cost of \$38,875 GPR. The LTE will be responsible for developing the grant funding opportunity, evaluating program responses, developing contracts, and monitoring the clubhouses' performance and matching funding. The bill includes language to allow the Joint Committee on Finance to provide funding from its appropriation to supplement the DHS appropriation. The bill does not appropriate new funding for the supplement. Without the supplement, DHS would not have \$500,000 to fund the grant awards to mental health clubhouses. However, the bill directs DHS to award the grants regardless of whether an appropriation supplement is available, suggesting it would need to reallocate funding from other statutory grant programs under s. 46.48 to fund the clubhouse grants.

The cost of this proposal is estimated at \$538,875 GPR annually.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications