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TO: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

FROM: Bob Lang, Director

SUBJECT: Assembly Bill 790: Mobile Crisis Team Grants for Dementia Training

Assembly Bill 790 was introduced on January 22, 2016, and referred to the Committee on Mental Health Reform. On February 1, 2016, that Committee recommended the bill for passage on a 10 to 0 vote.

SUMMARY OF BILL

Assembly Bill 790 would require the Department of Health Services to make grants totaling \$250,000 to counties or regions comprising multiple counties to obtain training for their mobile crisis teams on recognizing and providing services to individuals with dementia. The bill would increase the Department's mobile crisis team grants appropriation by \$250,000 GPR in 2016-17 to provide grants for dementia training. Base funding for the mobile crisis team grants appropriation is \$125,000 annually in the 2015-17 biennium.

FISCAL EFFECT

The bill would increase GPR appropriations by \$250,000 in 2016-17. Since the funding is provided in the second year of the biennium, the presumption is that the increase has an ongoing effect. However, the Department would be statutorily required to provide grants for dementia training totaling \$250,000 on a one-time basis only. If the intent is to require the Department to provide grants totaling \$250,000 annually or biennially after the 2015-17 biennium, the bill could be amended to reflect that intent. If, on the other hand, the intent is to require the grants to be made on a one-time basis, then the bill could be amended to specify that the additional funding is not to be included in the ongoing base of the mobile crisis team grants appropriation.

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