

Senator Darling  
Representative Nygren

HEALTH SERVICES -- CARE AND TREATMENT SERVICES

Disposition of Surplus Revenue Balance in the Mental Health Institutes Appropriation  
[LFB Paper #356]

Motion:

Move to require DHS, at the close of each even-numbered fiscal year, to determine the amount of the unencumbered balance in the program revenue appropriation account for the state mental health institutes and provide this information to county and tribal human services agencies. Require DHS, if the amount of the unencumbered balance exceeds 17% of the expenditures associated with the mental health institutes funded from that appropriation in the even-numbered year, to include in its next biennial budget request a proposal to use the amount exceeding the 17% balance for mental health services during the following biennium. Require the Department to consult with county human services agencies in developing a proposal for the use of the surplus funds.

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Note:

This motion would require DHS to develop a proposal, to be included in its biennial budget request, to use any surplus funds collected in its mental health institutes program revenue appropriation. The Department would be required to consult with county human services agencies in developing the proposal. For the purposes of this provision, a surplus balance would be defined as an amount in excess of 17% of the expenditures for mental health institutes operations during the even-numbered fiscal year prior to the submission of the biennial budget request.

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