

**Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: HB1304

Patron: Ware

Bill Title: Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services; individuals receiving services; right to send and receive mail.

Bill Summary: Allows individuals receiving services in a hospital, training center, other facility, or program operated, funded, or licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to send and receive mail in electronic or paper format. Under current law, such individuals are allowed to send and receive sealed letter mail.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Fiscal Summary: No fiscal impact.

Fiscal Analysis: Allowing individuals to receive and send emails will have no fiscal impact on state facilities.