

Competency restoration admissions consume substantial inpatient capacity that could otherwise be used for civil TDO admissions and higher-acuity forensic cases. DBHDS estimates that up to 400 misdemeanor

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defendants per year could be served on an outpatient basis that would otherwise be treated in a DBHDS facility. Outpatient competency restoration costs approximately \$1,525 per person. DBHDS currently receives an annual appropriation of \$1.8 million for outpatient restoration services and treats approximately 700 individuals per year. Even if all possible 400 individuals who would otherwise be treated on an inpatient basis were shifted to outpatient services, DBHDS could absorb the additional cases in the existing appropriation.

State facilities are currently operating at approximately 99 percent capacity, exceeding both funded capacity and recommended safe operating levels for high-acuity inpatient settings, with a current waitlist of 48 forensic individuals awaiting admission, thus it is not anticipated that the diversion of any individual will result in savings at facilities that could be recouped.

Other: This bill is a companion to HB1105.