

**Department of Planning and Budget
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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: SB171ER

Patron: Favola

Bill Title: Discharge plans for minors admitted to inpatient treatment; copies provided to public elementary and secondary schools; notification to parents; health records privacy exemption.

Bill Summary: Provides that prior to discharge from inpatient treatment, if a minor admitted to inpatient treatment is a student at an elementary or secondary school and the facility to which the minor is admitted deems that additional educational services are needed, a parent may opt in to the disclosure of such information to a mental health professional or school counselor. The legislation also requires that if it is deemed that a minor poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others at the time of the discharge, the facility shall notify the mental health professional or school counselor at such minor's school prior to or at the time of discharge. The provisions of the bill have a delayed effective date of January 1, 2027.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None

Fiscal Summary: No fiscal impact.

Fiscal Analysis: Any administrative costs associated with the required notification can be absorbed by utilizing existing resources.