

HOUSE BILL 97: 2015 Appropriations Act, Sec. 12F.12 LME/MCO Use of Funds to Purchase Inpatient Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Services - Report

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SUMMARY: Sec. 12F.12 of S.L. 2015-241 establishes the intent of the General Assembly to terminate all direct State appropriations for State-operated alcohol and drug abuse treatment centers (ADATCs) beginning with the 2015-2016 fiscal year and to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services. This change allows local management entities/managed care organizations (LME/MCOs) to assume responsibility for publicly funded substance abuse services, including inpatient services through the ADATCs. The section specifies the use of funds appropriated to the DHHS for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the 2016-2017 fiscal year, and beyond.

DHHS must develop and report on a plan to allow the ADATCs to remain 100% receipt supported. The report must include an evaluation of (i) other community-based and residential services that could be provided by the ADATCs and (ii) potential funding sources. The report must be provided to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by March 1, 2016.

This section became effective October 1, 2015. On October 1, 2015, all direct State appropriations for ADATCs were terminated and the ADATCs are 100% receipt-supported.

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