OVERVIEW: Sec. 11F.3 of S.L. 2017-57 continues a requirement that the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) use certain funds to purchase additional new or existing local inpatient psychiatric beds or bed days not currently funded through the local management entities/managed care organizations (LME/MCOs) for individuals who are medically indigent. This section allows DHHS to use up to ten percent (10%) of this funding to pay for facility-based crisis services and nonhospital detoxification services to any individual in need of the services regardless of whether the individual is medically indigent.

This section requires DHHS to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by December 1, 2018, and December 1, 2019, on the use of these funds.

This section became effective July 1, 2017.