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# HOUSE BILL 1043: 2020 COVID-19 Recovery Act, Sec. 3.3(36): DHHS Funds to Support Behavioral Health and Crisis Services

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**Committee:**  
**Introduced by:**  
**Analysis of:** Sec. 3.3(36) of S.L. 2020-4

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**OVERVIEW:** *Section 3.3(36) of S.L. 2020-4 allocates \$20 million to the Department of Health and Human Services to support behavioral health and crisis services through the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds must be used (1) to divert individuals experiencing behavioral health emergencies from emergency departments; (2) to allocate \$12.6 million to be distributed as a one-time payment to each local management entity/managed care organization for the purposes of providing temporary additional funding assistance for Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities services on a per diem basis; and (3) to allocate \$400,000 in nonrecurring funds to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, for the purchase of units of opioid antagonist.*

*This section became effective May 4, 2020.*

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