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House Bill 5332 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Matt Lori
House Committee: Health Policy
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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Mental Health Code to require the Department of Community Health (DCH) to establish, maintain, and revise, as necessary, a uniform substance use disorder credentialing program for State department or agency use. In doing so, the DCH could consult with other State departments and agencies that would be required to comply with the program. The DCH would have to ensure that the uniform credentialing program would meet certain conditions.

A State department or agency providing substance use disorder services to Michigan residents, directly or through a contract, would have to comply with the uniform credentialing program. Once the DCH Director certified the program as in full force and effect, a State department or agency subject to this requirement would have to ensure that all of its forms, processes, and contracts relating to the provision of substance use disorder services complied with the program.

Within six months after the bill's effective date, and then annually, the DCH would have to submit a report to the Legislature. The report would have to describe the Department's activities under these provisions, including the establishment of the uniform credentialing program and any revisions to it.

Proposed MCL 330.1274a

Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a negative impact on the State and no fiscal impact on local government. The negative impact would stem from increased administrative costs being placed on the Department of Community Health in order to create and maintain a uniform substance use disorder credentialing program. The impact of this bill could be lessened by the existence of current certification and credentialing requirements for substance use disorder programs and staff. Currently, substance use disorder treatment programs must be accredited by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, the American Osteopathic Association, the Council on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families & Children, the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, or the National Committee on Quality Assurance, in order to receive funds through the Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration with the DCH. Additionally, staff qualification and credentialing requirements for the substance abuse coordinating agency provider network can be found on the DCH website. The existence of current credentialing requirements would decrease the cost of the bill by allowing for a synthesis of requirements, rather than the development of an entirely new set of qualifications.

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