

Legislative Analysis



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House Bills 6188 and 6189 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Mary Whiteford
Committee: Health Policy
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SUMMARY:

House Bills 6188 and 6189 would amend the Mental Health Code to modify reporting requirements related to the Michigan Crisis and Access Line (MiCAL) created by 2020 PA 12.¹ That access line, established for individuals experiencing a mental health crisis, is a telephone referral system that will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.²

Currently, in addition to other requirements, a contractor operating or maintaining MiCAL must have the ability to access information related to the availability of services, including near real-time access to any registry of available inpatient psychiatric beds, crisis residential beds, and substance use disorder beds. House Bill 6188 would require that any such state-operated registry report all data collected for the registry to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) or the entity contracted to operate or maintain MiCAL.

Additionally, 2018 PA 658³ established an electronic inpatient psychiatric bed registry, with beds categorized by patient gender, acuity, age, and diagnosis. House Bill 6189 would require that the information listed on the registry be provided by DHHS to the contractor or entity that operates or maintains MiCAL.

HB 6188: MCL 330.1165
HB 6189: MCL 330.1151

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bills 6188 and 6189 would have a negligible fiscal impact on the state and no fiscal impact on local units of government.

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¹ House Fiscal Agency analysis of 2020 PA 12 (HB 4051): <http://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2019-2020/billanalysis/House/pdf/2019-HLA-4051-EE6CC87D.pdf>

² See [https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/MEMO -- Michigan Crisis and Access Line MiCAL Overview and Next Steps 696799 7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/MEMO_-_Michigan_Crisis_and_Access_Line_MiCAL_Overview_and_Next_Steps_696799_7.pdf)

³ House Fiscal Agency analysis of 2018 PA 658 (HB 5439): <http://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/2017-2018/billanalysis/House/pdf/2017-HLA-5439-7C32C200.pdf>