

**FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 70 as introduced could increase the obligations of the State General Fund by an undetermined amount to pay the fees for any attorney appointed by the probate judge to represent a respondent in a probate hearing to transfer the respondent from inpatient treatment mental health treatment to outpatient mental health treatment and to pay other costs allowable by law.

In addition, based on information from the Department of Mental Health, this bill could decrease obligations to the department by a small, undetermined amount associated with the transfer of a patient from inpatient treatment to outpatient treatment. However, this cost savings could be offset, wholly or in part, by an increase in obligations of the department by an undetermined amount to cover the costs of outpatient treatment, if the patient is indigent.

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Jim Hill, Chair  
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