

Amendment to SB 85-FN-A

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

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3 3 New Subdivision; Study Commission on Sustainable Funding of Behavioral Health Crisis  
4 Programs. Amend RSA 135-C by inserting after section 67 the following new subdivision:

5 Study Commission on Sustainable Funding of Behavioral Health Crisis Programs

6 135-C:68 Commission on Behavioral Health Crisis Services Established.

7 I. There is established a study commission on sustainable funding of behavioral health crisis  
8 programs. The commission shall be administratively attached to the department of health and  
9 human services.

10 (a) The study commission's duties shall include, but not be limited to:

11 (1) Studying the models used in other regions and states for sustainable financing  
12 for delivery of behavioral health crisis programs.

13 (2) Discussing the feasibility of implementing different models for sustainable  
14 financing for delivery of behavioral health crisis programs.

15 (3) Identifying and recommending means to establish sustainable financing for  
16 delivery of behavioral health crisis programs, both legislative and non-legislative.

17 (4) Creating a report on the available sustainable funding sources available for  
18 financing delivery of behavioral health crisis programs.

19 (b) Notwithstanding RSA 14:49, the members of the commission shall be as follows:

20 (1) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the  
21 house of representatives.

22 (2) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

23 (3) The commissioner of the department of health and human services, or designee.

24 (4) The director of the department of safety, division of emergency services and  
25 communications (E 911), or designee.

26 (5) The commissioner of the insurance department, or designee.

27 (6) One representative from the National Alliance on Mental Illness of New  
28 Hampshire, appointed by that organization.

29 (7) One representative of the New Hampshire Community Behavioral Health  
30 Association, appointed by the association.

31 (8) One representative of the New Hampshire Hospital Association, appointed by the  
32 association.

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1                   (9) One representative of New Futures, appointed by the organization.

2                   (10) One representative of the University of New Hampshire Institute on Health  
3 Policy and Practice, appointed by that organization.

4                   (11) One representative from each of New Hampshire's 2 centers participating in the  
5 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline network.

6                   (12) One representative of America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP), appointed by  
7 the association.

8                   (13) One representative of community mental health centers appointed by the Bi-  
9 State Primary Care Association.

10                  (c) Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate  
11 when attending to the duties of the commission.

12                  (d) The commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first  
13 meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named senate member. The first meeting of  
14 the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Eight members of  
15 the commission shall constitute a quorum.

16                  (e) The commission shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed  
17 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house  
18 clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2024. The  
19 chairperson of the study commission shall electronically file the final report with the clerk of the  
20 house of representatives or clerk of the senate, and the clerks of the respective bodies shall post the  
21 report on the general court website. The clerks of the respective bodies shall then send a copy of the  
22 report to the standing committee of each body with jurisdiction over the subject matter of the report.