

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 (14) One representative from the New Hampshire Psychological Association,
11 appointed by that organization.

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

14 II. The commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of
15 the commission shall be called by the senate member. The first meeting of the commission shall be
16 held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Nine members of the commission shall
17 constitute a quorum.

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