House Study Bill 632 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES BILL BY CHAIRPERSON MILLER)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act extending the duration of county mental health and
- 2 disabilities services fund per capita levy and equalization
- 3 provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. Section 331.424A, subsection 7, unnumbered
paragraph 1, Code 2014, is amended to read as follows:

3 Notwithstanding subsection 5, for the fiscal years beginning 4 July 1, 2013, and July 1, 2014, and July 1, 2015, county 5 revenues from taxes levied by the county and credited to 6 the county services fund shall not exceed the lower of the 7 following amounts:

8 Sec. 2. Section 426B.3, subsections 1 and 4, Code 2014, are 9 amended to read as follows:

10 1. For the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2013, and July 1, 11 2014, and July 1, 2015, the state and county funding for the 12 mental health and disability services administered or paid for 13 by counties shall be provided based on a statewide per capita 14 expenditure target amount computed in accordance with this 15 section and section 334.424A.

16 4. a. For the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2013, 17 and July 1, 2014, and July 1, 2015, a county with a county 18 population expenditure target amount that exceeds the amount 19 of the county's base year expenditures for mental health and 20 disabilities services shall receive an equalization payment for 21 the difference.

22 b. The equalization payments determined in accordance 23 with this subsection shall be made by the department of human 24 services for each fiscal year as provided in appropriations 25 made from the property tax relief fund for this purpose. If 26 the county is part of a region that has been approved by the 27 department in accordance with section 331.389, to commence 28 partial or full operations, the county's equalization payment 29 shall be remitted to the region or the county, as appropriate, 30 for expenditure as approved by the region's governing board or 31 in accordance with the county's service management plan, as 32 appropriate. The payment for a county that has been approved 33 by the department to operate as an individual county region 34 shall be remitted to the county for expenditure as approved by 35 the county board of supervisors. For the fiscal year beginning

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1 July 1, 2013, and succeeding fiscal years, the payment shall 2 be remitted on or before December 31 only for those counties 3 approved to operate as an individual county region or to be 4 part of a region. Remittance of the payment for a county 5 without such approval shall be deferred until such approval is 6 granted.

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EXPLANATION

The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

10 This bill extends the duration of county mental health and 11 disabilities services fund per capita levy and equalization 12 provisions.

Code section 331.424A, relating to the county mental health and disability services funds and levies, is amended. The requirement for counties to levy using a \$47.28 base per capita amount or the county's base year expenditures, whichever dollar amount is less, applies only for FY 2013-2014 and FY 2014-2015. The bill extends this requirement through FY 2015-2016. Code section 426B.3, relating to per capita funding for

20 county services funds, is amended. The bill extends the \$47.28 21 per capita levy provisions and the requirement for the state 22 to provide equalization payments to counties restricted from 23 levying the full per capita amount to continue through FY 24 2015-2016.

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