

**House File 2424 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to county funding of mental health and  
2 disability services and the mental health and disability  
3 services property tax levy.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 222.73, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code  
2 2016, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. The per diem costs billed to each mental health and  
4 disability services region shall not exceed the per diem costs  
5 billed to the county in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1996.  
6 However, the per diem costs billed to a county may be adjusted  
7 for a fiscal year to reflect increased costs to the extent of  
8 the percentage increase in the statewide per capita expenditure  
9 target amount, if any per capita growth amount is authorized by  
10 the general assembly for that fiscal year in accordance with  
11 section ~~331.424A~~ 426B.3.

12 Sec. 2. Section 331.424A, subsections 6 and 8, Code 2016,  
13 are amended to read as follows:

14 6. For each fiscal year, the county shall certify a levy  
15 for payment of services. ~~For each fiscal year, county revenues~~  
16 ~~from taxes imposed by the county credited to the services fund~~  
17 ~~shall not exceed an amount equal to the amount of base year~~  
18 ~~expenditures for mental health and disability services. A~~  
19 levy certified under this section is not subject to the appeal  
20 provisions of section 331.426 or to any other provision in law  
21 authorizing a county to exceed, increase, or appeal a property  
22 tax levy limit.

23 8. ~~Notwithstanding subsection 6, for the fiscal years~~  
24 ~~beginning July 1, 2013, July 1, 2014, July 1, 2015, and July~~  
25 ~~1, 2016, For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and~~  
26 thereafter, county revenues from taxes levied by the county and  
27 credited to the county services fund shall not exceed ~~the lower~~  
28 ~~of the following amounts:~~

29 ~~a. The amount of the county's base year expenditures for~~  
30 ~~mental health and disabilities services.~~

31 ~~b. The~~ an amount equal to the product of the statewide per  
32 capita expenditure target amount established in section 426B.3  
33 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, multiplied by the  
34 county's general population as determined by the state for the  
35 same fiscal year.

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EXPLANATION

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

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4 Under current law, for the fiscal period beginning July 1,  
5 2013, and ending June 30, 2017, county revenues from property  
6 taxes levied by the county and credited to a county mental  
7 health and disabilities services fund shall not exceed the  
8 lower of the amount of the county's base year expenditures for  
9 mental health and disability services or the amount equal to  
10 the product of the statewide per capita expenditure target  
11 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 (established in  
12 Code section 462B.3, subsection 2), multiplied by the county's  
13 general population for the same fiscal year. After June 30,  
14 2017, current law provides that county revenues from property  
15 taxes levied and credited to the services fund shall not exceed  
16 an amount equal to the county's base year expenditures for  
17 these services.

18 This bill establishes, for FY 2017-2018 and subsequent  
19 fiscal years, a statewide standard property tax levy for mental  
20 health and disability services based upon the per capita  
21 expenditure target of \$47.28 established in FY 2013-2014  
22 multiplied by the county's general population.