



AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CONTRACTED SECURE PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT BEDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

**Section 1. Appropriation.** (1) There is appropriated \$600,000 from the general fund to the department of public health and human services in each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 2015.

(2) The appropriation must be used to contract for psychiatric treatment beds as allowed under 53-21-1204.

(3) Expenditures from this appropriation are intended to be ongoing and must be included in the budget prepared by the governor for the 2019 biennium.

**Section 2. Coordination instruction.** (1) If both House Bill No. 2 and [this act] are passed and approved and House Bill No. 2 contains an appropriation of \$815,000 in each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, to the department of public health and human services to contract for psychiatric treatment beds as allowed under 53-21-1204, then [this act] is void.

(2) If both House Bill No. 2 and [this act] are passed and approved and House Bill No. 2 contains an appropriation of less than \$815,000 but more than \$215,000 in each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, to the department of public health and human services to contract for psychiatric treatment beds as allowed under 53-21-1204, then the appropriation in House Bill No. 2 must be reduced to \$215,000 in each year of the biennium.

(3) If both House Bill No. 2 and [this act] are passed and approved and House Bill No. 2 contains an appropriation of less than \$215,000 in each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, to the department of public health and human services to contract for psychiatric treatment beds as allowed under 53-21-1204, then the appropriation in House Bill No. 2 is void and the appropriation in [this act] must be increased to \$815,000 in each year of the biennium.

**Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2015.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
HB 0034, originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

HOUSE BILL NO. 34

INTRODUCED BY R. EHLI

BY REQUEST OF THE CHILDREN, FAMILIES, HEALTH, AND HUMAN SERVICES INTERIM COMMITTEE

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