
SENATE BILL NO. 469—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(ON BEHALF OF THE DIVISION OF BUDGET AND PLANNING)

MARCH 28, 2011

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to programs for the treatment of mental illness or mental retardation. (BDR 14-1201)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: No.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§ 1)
(NOT REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to mental health; revising provisions relating to programs for the treatment of mental illness or mental retardation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law authorizes a district court to establish a program for the treatment
2 of offenders with mental illness or mental retardation. (NRS 176A.250-176A.265)
3 This bill requires each county in which such a program has been established to
4 provide for services for defendants assigned to the program in that county. This bill
5 further authorizes the board of county commissioners of such a county to enter into
6 contracts and agreements necessary for that purpose.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 176A.250 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:
3 176A.250 *1.* A court may establish an appropriate program
4 for the treatment of mental illness or mental retardation to which it
5 may assign a defendant pursuant to NRS 176A.260. The assignment
6 must include the terms and conditions for successful completion of



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1 the program and provide for progress reports at intervals set by the
2 court to ensure that the defendant is making satisfactory progress
3 towards completion of the program.

4 *2. Each county in which a program for the treatment of*
5 *mental illness or mental retardation has been established pursuant*
6 *to subsection 1 shall, in carrying out the program, provide services*
7 *for defendants assigned to the program in that county.*

8 *3. The board of county commissioners of a county described*
9 *in subsection 2 may enter into such contracts and agreements as*
10 *may be necessary for the provision of such services.*

11 **Sec. 2.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any
12 additional expenses of a local government that are related to the
13 provisions of this act.

14 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2011.

