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	Sen. Newell		Environment
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TITLE: CONCERNING CIVIL COMMITMENT STATUTES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING THE CIVIL COMMITMENT STATUTE REVIEW TASK FORCE AND REDEFINING CERTAIN TERMS RELATED TO CIVIL COMMITMENT.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015			
State Revenue					
State Expenditures	See State Expenditures section.				
FTE Position Change					
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.					
Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: None required.					
Local Government Impact: None.					

Summary of Legislation

The bill creates the Civil Commitment Statute Review Committee in the Department of Human Services (DHS) to meet during the 2013 legislative interim. The task force is required to study and prepare recommendations concerning the consolidation of mental health, alcohol, and substance abuse disorder statutes concerning civil commitments. The bill specifies the membership on the 25-person task force, of which 23 members are appointed by the executive director of the DHS. The other 2 members are legislators appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate. Members serve without compensation or reimbursement of expenses.

The task force is required to submit a report of its recommendations to the executive director of the DHS and relevant legislative committees. The task force must hold its first meeting no later than July 15, 2013, and submit its report by November 1, 2013. In addition, the bill also defines "danger to self and others" and amends the definition of "gravely disabled" in current law concerning civil commitments.

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State Expenditures

The bill increases workload in the DHS for an existing staff person to serve on the committee and provide logistical support. It is assumed that this work can be accomplished within existing appropriations and no additional funding or staff are required.

Departments Contacted

Human Services

Judicial

Counties

Sheriffs