

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1191

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| House of Origin | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed |
| Second House | <input type="checkbox"/> In Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled |

2. Patron: Ransone

3. Committee: Public Safety

4. Title: Marcus alert system; optional participation.

5. Summary: Provides that participation in the Marcus alert system is optional for localities and that no locality, community services board, or behavioral health authority is required to participate in the Marcus alert system. The bill also revises reporting requirements related to the Marcus alert system and comprehensive crisis system to include a requirement that the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services include in its annual report a statement of the barriers to establishment of local Marcus alert programs and community care or mobile crisis teams in areas of the Commonwealth that have opted to not establish such programs and teams and a plan for addressing such barriers to increase the number of such programs and teams in the Commonwealth.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: This legislation would make local participation in the Marcus Alert system optional possibly eliminating future costs. At this time, it is not known how many localities will choose not to participate. The introduced budget includes a total of \$6.0 million per year for local Marcus Alert implementation, of which \$3.0 million is new starting in FY 2023. Each locality is supported with \$600,000 in state funds to help defray local costs of their participation, thus \$6.0 million annually will support ten localities, five of which began implementation in the current biennium with funding included in Chapter 552, 2021 Acts of Assembly, Special Session I.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to SB361.