

MEMORANDUM

DATE	February 26, 2017
TO	Policy and Advocacy Committee
FROM	 Jason Glasspiegel Central Services Coordinator
SUBJECT	Agenda Item #7(iii)(C) – AB 473 (Waldron) Mental Health: Criminal Justice

Background:

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to set aside funds from existing State programs aimed at addressing mental illness to motivate partnerships between county jail systems and local universities or community treatment providers to develop model cost-effective, jail-based integrated treatment programming with ongoing continuity of care through reentry via community-based case management or similar services. The bill would further state the intent of the Legislature that the pilot programs established pursuant to that legislation include an evaluation component to describe the extent to which integrated treatment reduces recidivism and increases prosocial outcomes among criminal justice-involved Californians with co-occurring mental illness and substance use disorders.

Location: Assembly

Status: 02/13/2017 Introduced.

Action Requested:

No action is required at this time. Staff will be watching AB 473 to determine its effects on the Board's licensees.