


MEMORANDUM

DATE	August 24, 2017
TO	Board of Psychology
FROM	 Konnor Leitzell Student Assistant
SUBJECT	Agenda Item #16(b)(2)(JJ) – AB 1315 (Mullin) Mental Health: Early Psychosis Detection and Intervention.

Background:

This bill would establish an advisory committee to the commission for purposes of creating an early psychosis and mood disorder detection and intervention competitive selection process to expand the provision of high-quality, evidence-based early psychosis and mood disorder detection and intervention services in California by providing funding to counties for this purpose. The bill would require a county that receives an award of funds to contribute local funds, as specified.

This bill would prescribe the membership of the advisory committee, which must include a psychiatrist or psychologists, including the chair of the commission or his or her designee. The committee would, among other duties, provide advice and guidance on approaches to early psychosis and mood disorder detection and intervention programs.

This bill also would establish the Early Psychosis and Mood Disorder Detection and Intervention Fund within the State Treasury and would provide that moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to, and under the administrative control of, the commission for the purposes of the bill. The fund would consist of private donations and federal, state, and private grants. The bill would authorize the advisory committee to elect not to make awards if available funds are insufficient for that purpose. The bill would authorize the advisory committee to coordinate and provide funding for clinical research studies, and require those studies to be made available annually to the public. The bill would also state that funds shall not be appropriated from the General Fund for the purposes of the bill and that implementation of the grant program shall be contingent upon the deposit into the fund of at least \$500,000 in non-state funds for the purpose of funding grants.

Location: Senate Committee on Appropriations

Status: 7/17/17 In committee, referred to Committee on Appropriations Suspense File.

Votes: 7/17/2017 Senate Committee on Appropriations (7-0-0) Placed on Suspense File
 6/28/2017 Senate Committee on Health (7-0-2)
 6/01/2017 Assembly Floor (76-0-4)
 5/26/2017 Assembly Committee on Appropriations (14-1-2)
 4/25/2017 Assembly Committee on Health (14-0-1)

Action Requested:

No action is required at this time. Staff will continue to watch AB 1315 (Mullin) due to its potential increase in funding for mental health services and its impact on access to mental health services.