DMH LEGISLATIVE UPDATES - February 22, 2024

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Bill of Interest: SB 402 (Wahab)

- Bill would potentially expand the pool of people authorized to place individuals on involuntary holds (5150s).
- When bill was gutted/amended on January 3, 2024, it would have authorized all licensed mental health clinicians to place individuals on involuntary holds. CBHDA adopted an oppose position, expressing concern over the potential impact to the mental health system.
- Bill was amended on January 12, 2024, to authorize licensed mental health clinicians designated by the county, to place individuals on involuntary holds.
- DMH position: no position adopted yet

Questions?

