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HOUSE BILL

751-FN

AN ACT establishing a committee to study licensure of outpatient substance use disorder treatment facilities.

SPONSORS: Rep. McLean, Hills. 15; Rep. Newell, Ches. 4; Rep. Paquette, Hills. 25; Rep. Prudhomme-O'Brien, Rock. 13; Sen. Long, Dist 20

COMMITTEE: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

AMENDED ANALYSIS

 This bill establishes a committee to study licensure of outpatient substance use disorder treatment facilities.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

AN ACT establishing a committee to study licensure of outpatient substance use disorder treatment facilities.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study licensure of outpatient
2 substance use disorder treatment facilities.

3 2 Membership and Compensation.

4 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

5 (a) Four members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house
6 of representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the health, human services and elderly affairs
7 committee and one of whom shall be a member of the executive departments and administration
8 committee.

9 (b) Two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

10 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
11 the duties of the committee.

12 3 Duties. The committee shall study licensure of outpatient substance use disorder treatment
13 facilities by the department of health and human services. The study shall include consideration of
14 any appropriate exemption for nonclinical recovery support services, such as group recovery coaching
15 and 12-step programs, and whether additional staff and funding is required for the department to
16 administer and monitor the licensed facilities. The committee may solicit information and testimony
17 from any individual, entity, or agency with experience or expertise relevant to the study.

18 4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
19 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named house
20 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this
21 section. Four members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

22 5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
23 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house
24 clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2026.

25 6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

HB 751-FN- FISCAL NOTE
AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE (AMENDMENT #2025-0220h)

AN ACT requiring licensure of outpatient substance use disorder treatment facilities and relative to complaint investigation of treatment facilities by the department of health and human services office of the ombudsman and making an appropriation therefor.

FISCAL IMPACT: This bill does not provide funding, nor does it authorize new positions.

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue Fund(s)	Substance use center certification fees			
Expenditures*	\$0	\$211,000		Indeterminable Increase
Funding Source(s)	General Fund			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$211,000		\$0
Funding Source(s)	None			

***Expenditure = Cost of bill**

***Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill**

The Department of Health and Human Services was contacted on March 6, 2025 for a fiscal note worksheet in response to the amended version of this bill. As of August 19, 2025, the Department has not provided a response.

METHODOLOGY:

This bill requires licensure of outpatient substance use disorder facilities and, subject to available funding, requires the Department of Health and Human Services to designate within its office of the ombudsman a position dedicated to investigating complaints relative to treatment provided at substance use and mental health treatment facilities. The bill appropriates \$211,000 over the FY26/27 biennium for the purpose of establishing one compliance officer I position.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Department of Health and Human Services