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Highlights

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) would realize a minimal increase in costs to collect additional data regarding alcohol and drug addiction services and recovery supports from current providers and additional entities and to analyze this information.

Detailed Analysis

Data and statistics

The bill expands the data sets that the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) must collect regarding (1) the care and treatment of persons with mental disabilities and (2) the care, treatment, and rehabilitation of persons with alcohol use disorder, with or at risk of substance use disorder, and with or in danger of developing a gambling addiction in Ohio. Specifically, in addition to information and statistics OhioMHAS is already required to collect and compile in current law, OhioMHAS must collect (1) the names of any prescribed medication-assisted treatment and whether the care, treatment, or rehabilitation is inpatient or outpatient, and (2) the number of persons who completed a care, treatment, or rehabilitation program and the number and percentage of persons who relapsed while in the process of completing such a program. Furthermore, the bill requires new data be reported regarding admissions to, and discharges from, an alcohol and drug addiction services and recovery supports provider. The data required includes information on admissions, transfers, demographic characteristics of individuals admitted or discharged, provider capacity, costs to Ohio associated with each community addiction services provider, and the number of licensed and certified professionals they employ. In addition to expanding the data and statistics OhioMHAS must collect, the bill expands the categories of individuals and entities required to report the above information to OhioMHAS. Current law applies these provisions to community mental health

services providers, while the bill adds agencies, associations, corporations and other legal entities, individuals, and programs providing addiction services and recovery supports.

The bill also requires OhioMHAS to make additional reports relating to the above information and statistics. Current law requires OhioMHAS to develop a project to assess the outcomes of persons served by community addiction services providers and community mental health services providers that receive OhioMHAS funds. In addition to this, the bill requires OhioMHAS to submit (1) quarterly reports to the Governor, the General Assembly, and each alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services (ADAMHS) board, summarizing and analyzing the information collected in the previous quarter and (2) annual reports summarizing and analyzing the information collected in the previous year. These reports must also be posted on OhioMHAS's website. Lastly, the bill updates certain related terminology in the Ohio Revised Code.

Fiscal impact

While OhioMHAS currently collects most of the data discussed above, the data is currently collected at different intervals or perhaps in a different manner than required under the bill. There would be costs to adjust the existing data collection procedures and to allow data to be collected from additional entities. There may also be administrative costs to OhioMHAS to provide technical assistance to providers and to analyze data. OhioMHAS states that any costs are likely to be minimal. There may be some costs to local providers to report the required data.

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