

SENATE BILL 8

Introduced by Keating

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SENATE BILL NO. **8**

INTRODUCED BY Keating
BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
CORRECTIONS AND HUMAN SERVICES

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE
CLOSURE OF THE ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL AND INTERMEDIATE NURSING
CARE PROGRAM AT THE GALEN CAMPUS OF THE MONTANA STATE
HOSPITAL; AMENDING SECTION 53-21-601, MCA; REPEALING
SECTIONS 50-17-104 AND 53-21-602, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE."

WHEREAS, the Department of Corrections and Human
Services has proposed to close the acute care hospital and
intermediate nursing care program on the Galen campus of the
Montana State Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the Galen facility is being underused, has
increasing operating costs, and has a decaying and
inefficient infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, there is more appropriate and improved care
available to the patients of the Galen acute care hospital
and intermediate care nursing facility at other state and
private institutions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 53-21-601, MCA, is amended to read:

"53-21-601. Location and primary function of hospital.

(1) The agency state facility providing comprehensive health
care services at Galen and Warm Springs, Montana, is the
Montana state hospital and as its primary function provides:

(a) care and treatment of mentally ill persons;

(b) diagnosis, care, evaluation, treatment, referral,
and rehabilitation of persons afflicted with chemical
dependency; and

~~(c) care and treatment of institutional residents or
clients of the department's community and residential
programs who require acute hospital care or nursing care;~~

~~(d) treatment of tuberculosis and silicosis (commonly
called miner's consumption);~~

~~(e)(c) detoxification of those persons who seek relief
from the disabling effects of alcohol and other chemical
substances; and.~~

~~(f) contingent upon space and funds; the treatment of
pulmonary diseases and other medical or organic disorders.~~

(2) The campus facility at Warm Springs, Montana, is
the component designated as the mental health facility, as
defined in 53-21-102, of the department of corrections and
human services for the care and treatment of mentally ill
persons.

(3) The designated campus facilities facility at Galen,

1 Montana, are is the components component designated as the
2 department's--residential facility for chemical dependency
3 treatment facilities, as defined in 53-24-103, for the
4 treatment of those persons suffering from chemical
5 dependency.

6 ~~{4}--The-campus-facility-at-Galen, Montana, licensed--to~~
7 ~~provide-acute-hospital-and-intermediate-nursing-care, is the~~
8 ~~facility--component-designated-for-the-care-and-treatment-of~~
9 ~~the--medical--and--organic--disorders--described---in---this~~
10 ~~section--"~~

11 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Repealer. Sections 50-17-104
12 and 53-21-602, MCA, are repealed.

13 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is
14 effective December 1, 1992.

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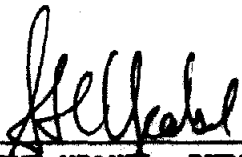
In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for SB0008, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act providing for the closure of the acute care hospital and intermediate nursing care program at the Galen campus of the Montana State Hospital; and providing an effective date.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The proposal would close the acute care hospital and intermediate nursing care program at the Galen campus of the Montana State Hospital effective December 1, 1992 and would produce a seven month general fund savings of approximately \$1,470,000.



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