

SENATE BILL NO. 7

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BY REQUEST OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
THE MONTANA STATE HOSPITAL

IN THE SENATE

DECEMBER 22, 1992	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, & SAFETY.
JANUARY 4, 1993	FIRST READING.
JANUARY 12, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
JANUARY 13, 1993	PRINTING REPORT.
	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
JANUARY 14, 1993	ENGROSSING REPORT.
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 48; NOES, 1.
	TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

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JANUARY 15, 1993	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & AGING.
	FIRST READING.
JANUARY 26, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
JANUARY 28, 1993	ON MOTION, CONSIDERATION PASSED FOR THE DAY.
JANUARY 29, 1993	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
FEBRUARY 1, 1993	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 97; NOES, 2.
	RETURNED TO SENATE WITH AMENDMENTS.

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FEBRUARY 3, 1993

RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS  
CONCURRED IN.

FEBRUARY 4, 1993

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SENT TO ENROLLING.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for SB0007, as introduced.

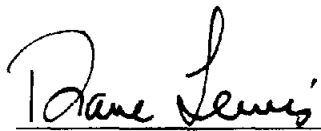
DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act providing that organizations that provide community support services to persons with severe and disabling mental illnesses must be represented on the regional mental health corporation boards.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. All activities will be carried out by agencies other than the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences.
2. Community Mental Health Centers are private non-profit corporations. Adding a member to the boards will not have an impact on Department of Corrections and Human Services expenditures.

FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impact.

 1-8-93  
DAVID LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR      DATE  
Office of Budget and Program Planning

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DENNIS NATHE, PRIMARY SPONSOR      DATE

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HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 26, 1993

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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on Human Services and Aging  
report that Senate Bill 7 (third reading copy -- blue) be  
concurrent in as amended .

*Wm E Boharski*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Bill Boharski, Chair

And, that such amendments read:

Carried by: Rep.

*Sayles*

1. Page 3, line 12.  
Strike: "three"  
Insert: "four"

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*SB 7*

Committee Vote:

Yes \_\_, No \_\_. *unanimous*

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