

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: July 15, 2010
POSITION: Oppose

BILL NUMBER: AB 2221
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BILL SUMMARY: Substance Abuse: Treatment Facilities

This bill would expand the category of residential treatment facilities licensed by the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (DADP) to include facilities that provide limited medical services, as specified.

FISCAL SUMMARY

This bill would result in General Fund costs of \$125,000 in 2010-11 and \$250,000 in 2011-12, and continuing. Specifically, the DADP would require 2.5 permanent Associate Governmental Program Analyst positions to conduct facility site reviews, establish regulations and fees, review applications, monitor compliance, investigate complaints, and conduct accounting and collections activities. The DADP estimates up to 248 licensed alcohol and other drug treatment facilities throughout California may elect to offer medical services if this bill were to be enacted. Although the DADP currently monitors these facilities, there would be a higher level of monitoring necessary if these facilities were to provide medical services.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance is opposed to this bill as it would result in new costs to the state General Fund. Notwithstanding the policy merits of this bill, extreme fiscal prudence must be exercised during this time of economic instability.

The intent of this bill is to apply the licensing structure of DADP to residential treatment facilities that provide medical services for the sole purpose of assisting with detoxification services. Specifically, this bill would allow physicians to provide limited medical services in substance abuse treatment facilities licensed by the DADP that provide 24-hour residential services to adults who also need alcohol, drug, or alcohol and drug recovery treatment or detoxification services.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)								Fund Code
	SO	(Dollars in Thousands)							
	LA	PROP		2010-2011		2011-2012		2012-2013	
RV	98	FC	FC	FC	FC	FC	FC		
4200/Alcohol Drug	SO	No	C	\$125	C	\$250	C	\$250	0001

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