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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 982**

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**Introduced by Senator McGuire**

February 10, 2016

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An act to add ~~and repeal~~ Section 4474.12 ~~of to~~ the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to developmental services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 982, as amended, McGuire. State Department of Developmental Services: ~~Sonoma State Hospital~~. *developmental centers*.

Existing law vests in the State Department of Developmental Services jurisdiction over state hospitals referred to as developmental centers for the provision of residential care to individuals with developmental disabilities, including the ~~Sonoma State Hospital~~. *Developmental Center, the Fairview Developmental Center, and the Porterville Developmental Center, as specified*. Existing law requires the department to comply with procedural requirements when closing a developmental center. Existing law required, on or before October 1, 2015, the State Department of Developmental Services to submit to the Legislature a plan or plans to close one or more developmental centers.

This bill would ~~require, until January 1, 2021, require~~ the department to ~~develop and conduct a 3-year contract for a longitudinal study, over the course of the 2017-18 through 2019-20, inclusive, fiscal years, study, commencing July 1, 2017, to assess the quality of life and outcomes of developmental center residents that who relocate from the Sonoma State Hospital Developmental Center, the Fairview Developmental Center, and the general treatment area of the Porterville Developmental Center as a result of the closure of that center. those~~

~~centers. The bill would specify the contents of the study, including assessments of the residents before they leave the center and at one-year and two-year intervals after they relocate from the center. qualifications and duties of the contractor, as specified. The bill would require the department to submit interim reports to the Legislature regarding the study at the end of the first and second years of the study. The bill would require, upon the completion of the study, the department to submit the study to the Legislature, as specified.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 4474.12 is added to the Welfare and  
2 Institutions Code, *immediately following Section 4474.11*, to read:  
3 4474.12. (a) ~~The~~ *To ensure that persons with developmental*  
4 *disabilities who are moved from developmental centers to the*  
5 *community are receiving necessary services and supports, the*  
6 ~~department shall develop and conduct a three-year contract with~~  
7 *an independent agency or organization for a longitudinal study*  
8 *study, commencing July 1, 2017, to assess the quality of life and*  
9 *outcomes of developmental center residents that who relocate from*  
10 *the Sonoma State Hospital Developmental Center, the Fairview*  
11 *Developmental Center, and the general treatment area of the*  
12 *Porterville Developmental Center, as those institutions are*  
13 *identified in Sections 4440 and 4440.5, as a result of the closure*  
14 *of that center. The study shall be conducted over the course of the*  
15 *2017–18 through 2019–20, inclusive, fiscal years. those centers.*  
16 (b) ~~The study conducted pursuant to this section shall do all of~~  
17 ~~the following:~~  
18 (1) ~~Measure the residents' quality of life, their satisfaction with~~  
19 ~~services, the degree to which the residents achieve their goals,~~  
20 ~~such as independence, and other dimensions as determined by the~~  
21 ~~department.~~  
22 (2) ~~Include assessments of the residents before they leave the~~  
23 ~~center and at one-year and two-year intervals after they relocate~~  
24 ~~from the center.~~  
25 (3) ~~Track the residential locations of the former residents of the~~  
26 ~~center for purposes of conducting the one-year and two-year~~  
27 ~~postrelocation reassessments.~~

- 1 ~~(4) Include a written report that does all of the following:~~  
2 ~~(A) Summarizes the findings based on the data collected.~~  
3 ~~(B) Provides recommendations regarding how the closure could~~  
4 ~~have been conducted in a manner that better served the needs of~~  
5 ~~the residents and their families.~~  
6 ~~(C) Specifies any community-based services for former residents~~  
7 ~~that need to be improved.~~  
8 *(b) The contractor shall be experienced in all of the following:*  
9 *(1) Designing valid tracking instruments.*  
10 *(2) Tracking the quality of community programs, including*  
11 *outcome-based measures such as health and safety, quality of life,*  
12 *integration, choice, and consumer satisfaction.*  
13 *(3) Tracking the quality and appropriateness of community*  
14 *placements for persons moving from large institutions into*  
15 *community settings.*  
16 *(4) Developing data systems.*  
17 *(5) Data analysis and report preparation.*  
18 *(c) (1) The contractor shall measure consumer and family*  
19 *satisfaction with services provided, including case management*  
20 *and quality of life, including, but not limited to, health and safety,*  
21 *independence, productivity, integration, opportunities for choice,*  
22 *and delivery of needed services.*  
23 *(2) The contractor shall meet with each person, and the person's*  
24 *family, or legal guardian or conservator, when appropriate, no*  
25 *less than once per year to discuss quality of life and observe the*  
26 *person's services and supports.*  
27 *(3) In cases in which the consumer is not capable of*  
28 *communicating his or her responses, and in which a family*  
29 *member, or legal guardian or conservator, is not involved, the*  
30 *contractor shall meet with no fewer than two persons familiar with*  
31 *the consumer. Additionally, the contractor shall interview staff*  
32 *and friends who know the consumer best and review records, as*  
33 *appropriate.*  
34 *(d) The contract may be satisfied by the same contractor used*  
35 *by the department to implement the quality assurance instrument*  
36 *pursuant to Section 4571, if appropriate.*  
37 ~~(e)~~  
38 *(e) (1) For purposes of conducting the study, the department*  
39 *shall maintain and update the addresses of, and contact information*

1 for, former residents of the center who relocated as a result of the  
2 closure of the ~~center~~. *centers*.

3 (2) The department shall ensure, to the extent permitted by law,  
4 that researchers conducting the study have access to data and other  
5 information necessary to conduct the study, including the addresses  
6 of, and contact information for, former residents of the center who  
7 relocated due to the closure of the center.

8 ~~(d)~~

9 (f) The department shall submit interim reports to the Legislature  
10 regarding the study at the end of the first and second years of the  
11 study, in accordance with the requirements of Section 9795 of the  
12 Government Code. Upon the completion of the study, the  
13 department shall submit the study to the Legislature, in accordance  
14 with the requirements of Section 9795 of the Government Code.

15 ~~(e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2021,~~  
16 ~~and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that~~  
17 ~~is enacted before January 1, 2021, deletes or extends that date.~~