

LFC Requester:**Eric Chenier****AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2026 REGULAR SESSION**

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Date Prepared: 1/15/26 **Bill Number:** SB0008 **Original** X **Amendment** **Substitute**

Short Title: TRANSFER FUNDS TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TRUST FUND

Sponsor: Sen. Lopez, Sen. Pope, Sen. Muñoz, Sen. Campos

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27		
\$0	\$650,000,000.0	NA	BH Trust Fund (SIC)

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27	FY28		
\$0	\$650,000,000.0	\$0	NA	NA

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY26	FY27	FY28	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	NA	NA

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SECTION III: NARRATIVE**BILL SUMMARY**

This bill would authorize a transfer from the General Fund to the Behavioral Health Trust Fund “(Trust Fund”) in the amount of \$650 million in FY27. The Fund was established by SB 1 in the 2025 legislative session as a non-reverting fund within the state Treasury for the purpose of ensuring the sustainability of behavioral health funding. Laws 2025, ch. 2, § 2.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The bill’s fund transfer by itself has no impact on the budget for behavioral health services in FY27 without an accompanying legislative appropriation. SB 1 provided that, beginning in FY27, a distribution shall be made from the Trust Fund to the Behavioral Health Program Fund in the amount of 5% of the average of the year-end market values of the Trust Fund for the previous three years. Until the Trust Fund has been in effect for three years, the amount distributed shall be 5% of the average of the year-end market values for the number of years it has been in effect.

Funds in the Behavioral Health Program Fund are available for legislative appropriation for mental health and substance abuse treatment, intervention, and prevention; infrastructure, technology, and workforce supports necessary to facilitate behavioral health services and programs; matching funds for federal, local, and private grants related to them; offsetting costs incurred to comply with federal requirements for such services and programs; and implementation of regional behavioral health plans. Any impact on HCA’s budget for behavioral health services will be determined by legislative appropriation.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

None for BHSD

None for ITD

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

None for BHSD

None for ITD

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None for BHSD

None for ITD

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**ALTERNATIVES****WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

None

AMENDMENTS