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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2024 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}

Check all that apply:

Original **Amendment**
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Date January 24, 2024

Bill No: HM 12

Sponsor: Charlotte Little, Tara Jaramillo, Cristina Parajon, Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson and Pamelya Herndon **Agency Name and Code** Regulation and Licensing - 420
Short Title: Behavioral Health Workforce Study **Number:** _____
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
N/A	N/A		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25	FY26		
N/A	N/A	N/A		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY24	FY25	FY26	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act:

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: House Memorial 12 (HM 12)

House Memorial 12 (HM 12) requests that an interagency behavioral health purchasing collaborative partner with statewide associations that represent behavioral health care providers to study the administrative burdens behavioral health care providers face in New Mexico.

HM 12 provides the agencies that must be studied, including the health care authority department, behavioral health services division of the health care authority department, department of health, children, youth and families department, and the regulation and licensing department and applicable licensing boards.

HM 12 identifies the following “disproportionate” administrative burdens that behavioral health providers face in New Mexico: cumbersome licensing and credentialing processes; conflicting and inconsistent demands from regulatory authorities; frequent and redundant demands to submit documents, reports, and data; duplicative site visits and service reviews by multiple state agencies, regulatory and licensing authorities and managed care organizations; unnecessary requirements to carry out administrative functions that could be managed by administrative staff; avoidable barriers that hinder the timely provision of critical and lifesaving medication and other treatment to patients and clients; and extraordinary delays in compensation for rendered services from managed care organizations and state agencies. HB 12 concludes that these administrative burdens create financial vulnerabilities for behavioral health care providers and limit the behavioral health care providers’ ability to treat patients and clients.

SB 12 requires that by November 1, 2024, the interagency behavioral health purchasing collaborative report its findings and recommendations to the governor and the legislative health and human services committee regarding meaningful ways to address the administrative burdens faced by behavioral health care providers and how to substantially expand and support the behavioral health care workforce in New Mexico.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact is anticipated for the Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD).

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

TECHNICAL ISSUES

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ALTERNATIVES

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

AMENDMENTS