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HOUSE BILL NO. 63

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 630, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the behavioral crisis grant program.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 630, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 630.980, to read as follows:

630.980. 1. There is hereby established the "Behavioral Crisis Grant Program"
2 **within the department of mental health.**

3 **2. As used in this section, the term "behavioral crisis" shall mean any situation in**
4 **which a person's behavior makes them a danger to themselves or others or prevents them**
5 **from functioning effectively in the community.**

6 **3. Subject to appropriation, the department shall establish the behavioral crisis**
7 **grant program to assist not-for-profit organizations in the creation or maintenance of**
8 **programs to assist individuals experiencing behavioral crises. The director of the**
9 **department of mental health or his or her designee shall administer the program.**

10 **4. To be eligible for a grant under the behavioral crisis grant program, a not-for-**
11 **profit organization shall:**

12 **(1) Provide health care, mental health care, or other services and support that**
13 **address behavioral health issues for adults; and**

14 **(2) Provide at least one of the following:**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

- 15 (a) A crisis phone line or text messaging service staffed by health or mental health
16 professionals or trained volunteers;
- 17 (b) A residential facility for adults experiencing a behavioral crisis; or
- 18 (c) A referral program to assist an adult experiencing a behavioral health crisis in
19 obtaining health care, mental health care, or other services and support.
- 20 5. Community behavioral health programs established under section 217.021 that
21 meet the criteria of this section shall also be eligible for grants under this section.
- 22 6. In addition to the criteria under subsections 3 and 4 of this section, the
23 department of mental health shall:
- 24 (1) Establish additional criteria for grant applicants;
- 25 (2) Create a grant application and timeline for the application process;
- 26 (3) Determine the amount of any grant awarded based on the merits of the
27 program, the needs of the program or community, or any other criteria deemed relevant
28 by the department; and
- 29 (4) Post all information about the behavioral crisis grant program on the
30 department's website.
- 31 7. The director of the department of mental health may promulgate any necessary
32 rules and regulations to assist in the implementation of this section. Any rule or portion
33 of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority
34 delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all
35 of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and
36 chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly
37 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul
38 a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and
39 any rule proposed or adopted after the effective date of this section shall be invalid and
40 void.

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