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Bill Analysis

SB 1660 clarifies that an intoxicated person may consent to evaluation and treatment as it relates to assisting such a person to his or home or a treatment facility. Additionally, the measure provides for a person in possession of a controlled substance who appears to be in need of evaluation and treatment may opt to be taken to an approved drug treatment center, n approved center for substance abuse evaluation, or a facility approved by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in lieu of arrest. Any program outlined in this measure must be subject to the authority of the appropriate county, municipal, or tribal governing body and must be approved by the Department.

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Fiscal Analysis

FY'21 Impact: None

Full Year Impact: None

SB 1660 allows programs to be created at the county level. These programs would allow someone in possession of a controlled substance to be taken to receive evaluation and treatment rather than an arrest.

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