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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1613 directs the Department of Public Safety to establish and maintain the Mental Wellness Division. The Chief of the newly created Division shall report and be appointed by the Commissioner of Public Safety. The Division shall provide mental wellness services and programs to public safety personnel to promote good mental wellness. Records for the Division shall be kept confidential nor shall privileged information be shared with the Commissioner or the public without the consent of the applicable person. Aggregate mental health information may be made public by the Commissioner if, in the judgment of the Commissioner, doing so could improve public safety mental wellness policies for public safety personnel and is made public for this sole purpose. The Division is further authorized to enter into partnerships to carry out its mandate. The measure also establishes a Mental Wellness Division Revolving Fund and a not-for-profit foundation to raise monies for the Fund.

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