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Bill Analysis

SB 1794 directs the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to establish a secure, real-time statewide behavioral health vacancy registry to expedite clinically appropriate placement. The registry shall show current capacity, population counts, level of care acuity, diagnosis for each customer, admission criteria, acceptance rates, payor considerations, and contact procedures. The measure requires each facility to register with the Department and to update capacity status once per hour. The measure directs the Department to establish uniform data definitions for licensed, staffed, and available capacity. Protected health information shall not be displayed on the registry.

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