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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 01/26/07

SPONSOR Sanchez, B LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB \_\_\_\_\_

SHORT TITLE Supportive Housing for Dual Diagnosis Women SB 392

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### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$150.0	Recurring	General

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates: HB 381  
Relates to: SB 280

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From  
Department of Corrections  
Department of Health (DOH)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 392 would appropriate \$150,000 to the Department of Health (DOH) to contract for permanent supportive housing for women being released from jail or a correctional facility who have a dual diagnosis, co-occurring disorder of substance abuse addiction and a diagnosed mental health illness. Any unexpended or unencumbered funds would revert back to the General Fund at the end of fiscal year 2008.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding for this specific initiative is not contained in the FY08 DOH operating budget request. However, the Governor's Executive Budget contains \$750,000 to provide housing assistance to individuals served by the Behavioral Health Collaborative. The Legislative Finance Committee budget recommendation includes \$1 million for the same purpose.

DOH notes that if the program is funded and continues beyond Fiscal Year 2008 additional base increases will be needed to cover inflation.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

Permanent supportive housing refers to integrated permanent housing (typically rental apartments) linked with flexible community-based services that are available to tenants when they need them but are not mandated as a condition of occupancy. Evidence shows that persons with disabilities will have better clinical outcomes and greater housing stability if they have permanent housing. Supportive housing has shown results in reducing overall health care costs.

DOH notes that SB 392 would be strengthened by including the number of consumers to be served and the scope of supportive services that would be provided beyond housing.

**DUPLICATION AND RELATIONSHIP**

SB 392 is duplicated by HB 381. Corrections note that SB 280 includes \$75 thousand for the same purpose.

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