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SENATE BILL **235**

AN ACT relative to the patients' trust fund and relative to a 10-bed psychiatric crisis unit.

SPONSORS: Sen. Reagan, Dist 17

COMMITTEE: Health, Education and Human Services

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies the person to whom the facility is to give the quarterly reports of funds and possessions in the patients' trust fund. This bill also requires the department of health and human services to open the 10-bed psychiatric crisis unit established in 2013, 195:1, VII, H.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

AN ACT relative to the patients' trust fund and relative to a 10-bed psychiatric crisis unit.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 315:1 Patients' Trust Fund. Amend RSA 151:24, III to read as follows:

2 III. A written receipt shall be given to a patient or a personal representative ***of the patient***
3 when personal funds and possessions are received by a facility [~~and~~]. The facility shall furnish the
4 patient or a personal representative ***of the patient*** with a quarterly statement of the funds and
5 possessions; ***except that the New Hampshire hospital shall furnish a quarterly statement***
6 ***only upon request made by the patient or the personal representative of the patient.*** The
7 statement shall contain the items and amounts received, the sources, the disposition, and the date of
8 each transaction. Upon the discharge of a patient, the facility shall furnish the patient or a personal
9 representative with a final statement and return all personal funds and possessions not later than
10 10 days after discharge. Upon the death of a patient, the facility shall furnish the executor,
11 administrator, or voluntary administrator, upon proof of appointment, all personal funds and
12 possessions of the deceased patient.

13 315:2 Department of Health and Human Services; New Hampshire Hospital 10-Bed Psychiatric
14 Crisis Unit. The department shall open the 10-bed psychiatric crisis unit established by 2013, 195:1,
15 VII, H no later than July 1, 2015. The department shall use existing appropriations to support any
16 necessary operating costs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

17 315:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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19 Approved: August 1, 2014

20 Effective Date: July 1, 2014