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Overview

Under section 253B.05, a person who is mentally ill, developmentally disabled, or chemically dependent, and is in danger of causing injury to self or others if not immediately detained, may be admitted or held for emergency care and treatment in a treatment facility for up to 72 hours. When a person is discharged or released during the 72 hour period, the head of the treatment facility is required to notify the responsible local agency. This bill, if passed, would require compliance with certain federal regulations relating to confidentiality of records for alcohol and drug abuse patients.

Section

- 1** **Duration of hold.** Amends § 253B.05, subd. 3. Limits notice provided to the responsible local agency by the head of a treatment facility upon a person's release or discharge from a 72-hour hold, to a notice that does not violate federal law governing alcohol and drug abuse patient record confidentiality. Effective the day following final enactment.