



## SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

### House Bill 118 Printer's No. 244

Prime Sponsor: Kaufer  
Committee: Health and Human Services

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#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Amends the Health Care Facilities Act by adding a Section 822 establishing the Emergency Drug and Alcohol Detoxification Program ("EDADP"). The EDADP provides for detoxification in licensed health care facilities.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Section 822 establishes the EDADP within the Department of Health ("DOH") for detoxification in licensed health care facilities and for the establishment of detoxification facilities.

The EDADP is mandated to utilize existing beds in health care facilities, to the greatest extent possible.

In order to provide more timely access to drug and alcohol detoxification, the DOH must provide special priority to the review of applications for licensure under the EDADP.

Effective Date: 60 days.

#### **BILL HISTORY:**

In the House:

Referred to HEALTH, Feb. 1, 2017  
Reported as committed, April 19, 2017  
First consideration, April 19, 2017  
Laid on the table, April 19, 2017  
Removed from table, April 26, 2017  
Second consideration, May 8, 2017  
Re-committed to APPROPRIATIONS, May 8, 2017  
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Third consideration and final passage, May 9, 2017 (194-0)

In the Senate

Referred to HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, May 15, 2017

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