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HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill: House File 573 (Formerly HSB 139)

Committee: **Judiciary** Floor Manager: Rep. Lawler Date: May 21, 2025

Staff: Amanda Wille (1-5230)

House Committee:

House Floor: **PASSED** on March 12 (95-0) Senate Floor: **PASSED** on April 14 (46-0)

Governor:

PASSED on February 20 (21-0)

Involuntary Commitment

· Allows an involuntary commitment procedures to be initiated in any county and gives peace officers the ability to bring the individual in for court ordered treatment.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1- Substance Use Disorder- Application (125.75)

If the application for an involuntary commitment is filed in a county where the individual is not located and does not reside, then the court shall transfer jurisdiction to the appropriate district court.

Section 2- Substance Use Disorder- Placement for Evaluation (125.83)

Allows peace officers the authority to take the individual into custody, wherever they are found for placement at a facility in accordance with the order for evaluation.

Section 3- Hospitalization of Persons with Mental Illness- Application for Order of Involuntary Hospitalization

If the individual is not located where the application was filed, the application shall be transferred to the jurisdiction where the individual is currently located.

Section 4 and 5- Hospitalization of Persons with Mental Illness- Evaluation Order- Treatment- Unauthorized Departure or Failure to Appear (229.13.)

If law enforcement is notified that the individual has left the facility, without authorization, the law enforcement agency shall exercise due diligence to take the individual back into custody for placement in the appropriate facility.

Law enforcement shall have the authority to take the individual into custody in any county where they are found for placement in a facility in accordance with the entered order.

Section 6- Hospitalization of Persons with Mental Illness- Escape from Custody (229.14B)

Law enforcement has the authority to take the individual into custody in any county where they are found for placement in the appropriate facility.

Section 7- Supreme Court- Court Rules

Amendment Analysis