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**A BILL**

To enact section 5119.80 of the Revised Code to  
require the Department of Mental Health and  
Addiction Services to operate a demonstration  
program under which a mental health trauma  
center is established as part of a county  
hospital located in Cuyahoga County.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 5119.80 of the Revised Code be  
enacted to read as follows:

**Sec. 5119.80.** (A) As used in this section:

(1) "County hospital" means a hospital authorized by  
Chapter 339. of the Revised Code.

(2) "Mentally ill person subject to court order" has the  
same meaning as in section 5122.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The department of mental health and addiction services  
shall establish and operate an ongoing demonstration program  
under which a mental health trauma center is established as part  
of a county hospital located in Cuyahoga county. The  
demonstration program has both of the following purposes:

(1) To help reduce crime by improving individuals' access 19  
to mental health services, especially short-term mental health 20  
services for individuals experiencing a momentary lapse of 21  
reason; 22

(2) To serve as a model for the establishment of 23  
additional mental health trauma centers throughout the state. 24

(C) The department may request that either or both of the 25  
following assist with the establishment of the mental health 26  
trauma center authorized by this section: 27

(1) A teaching hospital that is located in Cuyahoga county 28  
and affiliated with a private university; 29

(2) A teaching hospital that is located in Cuyahoga county 30  
and owned and operated by a nonprofit foundation. 31

(D) The mental health trauma center authorized by this 32  
section shall do all of the following: 33

(1) Provide mental health services using proven and 34  
untested therapies; 35

(2) Conduct research on best practices regarding mental 36  
health services; 37

(3) Help individuals access social services and public 38  
assistance available to them, including medicaid and 39  
supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits. 40

(E) The mental health trauma center authorized by this 41  
section may do either or both of the following: 42

(1) Seek assistance from a probate court regarding an 43  
individual the court has found to be a mentally ill person 44  
subject to court order pursuant to proceedings instituted under 45

<u>section 5122.11 of the Revised Code;</u>	46
<u>(2) Use drug treatment programs as a model for other</u>	47
<u>providers of mental health services.</u>	48