

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 23, 2025

SENATE BILL

No. 380

Introduced by Senator Jones

February 13, 2025

An act to add Section 6608.9 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to sexually violent predators, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 380, as amended, Jones. Sexually violent predators: transitional housing facilities: report.

Existing law provides for the civil commitment of a person who is determined to be a sexually violent predator. Existing law establishes a procedure by which a person committed as a sexually violent predator may petition for conditional release under the conditional release program, and requires the court, if it makes a specified determination, to place the person on conditional release. Existing law generally requires that a person released on conditional release pursuant to these provisions be placed in the person's county of domicile prior to their incarceration unless extraordinary circumstances exist requiring placement outside the county and notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed placement is given to the designated county of placement, as specified. Existing law requires the State Department of State Hospitals, or its designee, to consider specified factors when recommending a specific placement for community outpatient treatment, including the concerns and proximity of the victim or the victim's next of kin and the age and profile of the victim or victims in the sexually violent offenses committed by the person subject to placement.

This bill would require the State Department of State Hospitals to, on or before ~~September 1, 2025~~, *January 1, 2027*, conduct an analysis of the benefits and feasibility of establishing transitional housing facilities for the conditional release program, and to submit the findings of the analysis in a report to the Legislature.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 6608.9 is added to the Welfare and
2 Institutions Code, to read:

3 6608.9. (a) On or before ~~September 1, 2025~~, *January 1, 2027*,
4 the State Department of State Hospitals shall conduct an analysis
5 of the benefits and feasibility of establishing transitional housing
6 facilities for the conditional release program, and submit the
7 findings of the analysis in a report to the Legislature.

8 (b) A report to be submitted pursuant to subdivision (a) shall
9 be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government
10 Code.

11 SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
12 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within
13 the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall
14 go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

15 In order to ensure the placement of sexually violent predators
16 in the conditional release program and to protect the public at the
17 earliest possible time, it is necessary for this act to take effect
18 immediately.