

**Department of Legislative Services**  
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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

Senate Bill 804  
Finance

(Senator Edwards, *et al.*)

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**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - Respite Bed Study - Extension**

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This bill extends the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's (DHMH) submission deadline for a study on respite bed demand in State residential centers to specified legislative committees. The deadline is extended from January 1, 2007 to January 1, 2012.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The change would not directly affect governmental finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** Chapter 178 of 2004, among other requirements, required DHMH to study the demand for respite care beds in State residential centers and determine how many beds could potentially be reserved for respite care. DHMH was supposed to report on the study's results to specified legislative committees by January 1, 2007.

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## Additional Information

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** HB 965 (Delegate Conway, *et al.*) – Health and Government Operations.

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