

# SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 352

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 27, 2022

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 352.

This bill requires hospital, medical and health service corporations, commercial insurers, health maintenance organizations, health benefits plans issued pursuant to the New Jersey Individual Health Coverage and Small Employer Health Benefits Programs, the State Health Benefits Program, and the School Employees' Health Benefits Program, to provide coverage for benefits provided through the psychiatric collaborative care model for the treatment of mental health conditions and substance use disorders. The psychiatric collaborative care model is an evidence-based, integrated behavioral health service delivery method wherein a primary care provider and a care manager collaborate with a psychiatric consultant to provide care to a patient.

As reported by the committee, Senate Bill No. 352 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 2008, which was also reported by the committee on this date.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The impact of this bill cannot be determined at this time because information and data is not available to the Office of Legislative Services from the Division of Pensions and Benefits in the Department of the Treasury. To the extent that the requirement in the bill is already being implemented, there would be no additional expenditure.