


## MEMORANDUM

<b>DATE</b>	March 2, 2017
<b>TO</b>	Policy and Advocacy Committee
<b>FROM</b>	 Konnor Leitzell Central Services Student Assistant
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Agenda Item #7 (a)(ii)(H) – AB 451 (Arambula) Health Facilities: Emergency Services and Care

### **Background:**

This bill would specify that an acute psychiatric hospital, regardless of whether it maintains an emergency department, is required to provide emergency care and services to relieve or eliminate a psychiatric emergency medical condition. The bill would also prohibit a general acute care hospital or an acute psychiatric hospital from requiring that a patient be under an involuntary treatment hold, pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 5150, as a condition to accepting a transfer of the patient from another health facility.

**Location:** Assembly

**Status:** 02/13/2017 Introduced

### **Action Requested:**

No action is required at this time. Staff will continue to watch AB 451 (Arambula).