

An Annual Report in Response to Penal Code Section 1372 (a)(3)(C)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report summarizes the incidence of inpatient days utilized by Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) patients remaining in a Department of State Hospitals (DSH) facility (State Hospital), following the hospital Medical Director's certification to the court that the defendant has regained competency. Whenever the State Hospital certifies that an IST patient has regained mental competency, the Medical Director shall file a certificate of restoration to the committing court. The IST defendant (patient) is then required to be returned to court by the sheriff of the committing county within 10 days of the filing of the certificate.

DSH has submitted this report to the Legislature since 1997 as mandated by SB 391 (Solis, Chapter 294, Statutes of 1997). This report is submitted annually. The data used for the 2013 report was obtained from the State Hospitals' Admissions, Discharge, and Transfer System.

Penal Code Section 1372 (a)(3)(C)

Penal Code Section 1372(a)(3)(C) requires the Department of State Hospitals (DSH) to submit a report to the Legislature on the number of inpatient days utilized by Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) patients remaining in a DSH State Hospital in excess of the statutorily mandated ten (10) day limit following the court's receipt of the Medical Director's certification that the defendant has regained competency. Previous legislation required that patients be returned to the committing court no later than 10 days following the filing of a certificate of restoration of mental competency (SB 485, Chapter 722, Statutes of 1992). Subsequent legislation clarified that the 10 days begin upon confirmation by the committing court's receipt of the Medical Director's certification of competency, indicated by a certified mail "return receipt" (SB 391, Chapter 294, Statutes of 1997).

Appendix I indicates the results of a review conducted to determine the number of days in excess of the 10-day limit for calendar year 2013.

Appendix I DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS SUMMARY OF INPATIENT DAYS UTILIZED BY INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL PATIENTS REMAINING IN A STATE HOSPITAL IN EXCESS OF THE 10-DAY LIMIT January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013

COMMITTING COUNTY	# EXCESS DAYS
Alameda	0
Alpine	0
Amador	0
Butte	0
Calaveras	0
Colusa	0
Contra Costa	0
Del Norte	0
El Dorado	0
Fresno	0
Glenn	0
Humboldt	0
Imperial	0
Inyo	0
Kern	0
Kings	9
Lake	0
Lassen	0
Los Angeles	139
Madera	0
Marin	0
Mariposa	0
Mendocino	0
Merced	0
Modoc	0
Mono	0
Monterey	0
Napa	0
Nevada	0
Orange	0

COMMITTING	# EXCESS
COUNTY	DAYS
Placer	0
Plumas	0
Riverside	0
Sacramento	15
San Benito	0
San Bernardino	0
San Diego	0
San Francisco	9
San Joaquin	0
San Luis Obispo	0
San Mateo	0
Santa Barbara	0
Santa Clara	0
Santa Cruz	0
Shasta	0
Sierra	0
Siskiyou	0
Solano	0
Sonoma	0
Stanislaus	0
Sutter	0
Tehama	0
Trinity	0
Tulare	0
Tuolumne	0
Ventura	1
Yolo	0
Yuba	0
TOTAL ALL	173

Data obtained from all State Hospitals.