

**Subject** Substance use disorder assessments

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## Summary

This bill modifies section 169A.284, governing the chemical dependency assessment charge and surcharge for driving while impaired or under the influence violations, by removing the terms “chemical use” and “chemical dependency” and specifying that the assessments are “comprehensive assessments.” The bill adds a paragraph prohibiting a court from ordering a person convicted of certain offenses to pay the costs for a comprehensive assessment if the assessment is eligible for reimbursement under medical assistance or the behavioral health fund. It also instructs the revisor of statutes to substitute the term “substance use disorder assessment” or similar term for listed terms found in statutes related to assessment charges or surcharges found in chapter 169A and relevant rules.