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The manuscript titled "IMPROVING RESPONSES TO MENTAL HEALTH CRISES: AN ANALYSIS OF STATE LEGISLATIVE APPROACHES THROUGH A PROCEDURAL JUSTICE FRAMEWORK" is important for the field of social work and social welfare policy. However, it requires some editing in both the abstract and the body of the paper. The title, however, is well-suited as it stands.

The abstract needs improvement. One key rule of academic or formal writing is to avoid using first-person pronouns like "we," "you," and "I." These pronouns divert attention from the topic and shift it to the writer, which undermines the objective tone that is essential in academic work. Maintaining a professional and objective tone is crucial for effective academic writing.

The overall quality of English in the manuscript is ok, providing a solid foundation for the valuable content it presents. The introduction contains several subtopics that could be transformed into a dedicated Literature Review section, which should be created and developed further. Additionally, the introduction needs clarification and expansion, once the sub-subtopics are removed. It is advisable to remove the sub-subtopics from the introduction and include them in the newly created Literature Review section. For example, consider creating separate headings for each subtopic under the new literature review section.

The manuscript also requires reorganization. Currently, there is a section titled "Methods and Results," which needs to incorporate either quantitative or qualitative data analysis to effectively present your findings.

Furthermore, some of the references used in the article are outdated. If they are not included for historical context, it is essential to update any references that are over ten years old. Additionally, several paragraphs lack citations. The article should be anchored in the relevant literature and include significantly more references than it currently has. It is also important to adjust the references to comply with APA standards on the reference page to ensure the accuracy and credibility of your work.