COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4719-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1566

Subject: Appropriations; Medicaid; Social Services Department

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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
General Revenue	\$0 to \$758,565,165	\$0 to \$792,674,676	\$0 to \$828,348,484	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0 to \$758,565,165	\$0 to \$792,674,676	\$0 to \$828,348,484	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
Federal*	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

*Savings and loss of \$0 to over \$1,100,000,000 would net to \$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health (DMH)** state the state match that comes from the DMH budget is for Medicaid program services provided or purchased by the DMH, including those administered under cooperative agreements with the Division of Medical Services. DMH manages these dollars within appropriated limits.

If appropriations would be reduced, services available to this group would be reduced or the number of clients served would be reduced as only those services for which appropriations are received will be delivered.

Assuming that DMH appropriations remain at sufficient levels to continue existing Medicaid programs, the fiscal impact is zero.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** assume if Medicaid services were not funded, the 1,670 individuals enrolled in the Special Health Care Needs (SHCN) programs may look to DOH to fully pay for treatment services now covered by Medicaid. The fiscal impact to the program for treatment services for these participants no longer eligible for Medicaid is unknown.

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

In addition, DOH assumes it could lose Medicaid reimbursement in the amounts of \$73,384 for Pregnant Women Case Management, \$82,538 for Well Child Outreach, \$1,067,093 for Healthy Children and Youth (HCY), \$142,550 for Head Injury Case Management, \$42,084 for Physical Disabilities Waiver (PDW) Case Management and \$15,000 for Non-emergency Transportation. In order for services provided under these reimbursements to continue, additional general revenue totaling \$1,422,649 would be needed.

DOH states since the language in the proposal is permissive, it impossible to determine which programs will be funded and which will not. Therefore, the DOH states the fiscal impact on the DOH is unknown.

Oversight will present a savings of \$0 to \$1,422,649 which is the federal portion and \$0 to \$948,433 for General Revenue. This is the savings for all of DOH Medicaid recipients excluding the SHCN programs.

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assume that limiting the eligibility of the Medicaid benefit would result in an increased number of appeals. AGO assumes because it represents the Department of Social Services in defending agency decisions, it may need additional attorneys and support staff, based on the number of appeals that might result from any decrease in amounts appropriated. AGO assumes that it would need three attorneys and one support staff to assist in the appeals process.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services - Division of Medical Services (DMS)** state the proposal requires the following eligibility groups and services to be subject to appropriation. A cost savings is assumed if funding is not appropriated for a group of eligibles or for a medical assistance benefit.

DMS states the projection for each grouping is based on FY 03 expenditures and adjusted for a 4.5% annual inflation rate (standard fiscal note trend for medical care).

Section 208.146.

DMS states persons made eligible for medical assistance benefits pursuant to the federal Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999 by the Department of Social Services will only be eligible for these benefits if annual appropriations are made. The projected cost savings for FY05 is \$0 to \$85,586,855.

Section 208.151.

Needy persons who comply with Title XIX, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the federal

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 301 et seq.) will only be eligible for these benefits if annual appropriations are made. The projected cost savings for FY05 is \$0 to \$344,335,453.

Section 208.152.

Any person who is eligible for any other optional medical benefits provided by the Department of Social Services will only be eligible for these benefits if annual appropriations are made. The projected cost savings for FY05 is \$0 to \$1,870,246,297. The projected cost savings include optional services for mandatory eligibility group.

Section 208.631.

Persons made eligible for health care for uninsured children will only be eligible for these benefits if annual appropriations are made. The projected cost savings is \$0 to \$105,756,064.

DMS notes that the amounts represented in these four sections are duplicative. This is because some of the dollars represent groups of eligibles and some dollars represent services for these eligibles. DMS is not able to unduplicate the savings. Rather than add the four cost savings together which would overstate the savings, **Oversight** will present the largest savings (Section 208.152) which may be understating the savings.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
GENERAL REVENUE Savings - Department of Health and Senior Services Program Savings	\$0 to \$948,433	\$0 to \$991,112	\$0 to \$1,035,712
Savings - Department of Social Services - Division of Medical Services Program Savings - Section 208.152	\$0 to \$757,756,835	\$0 to \$791,855,892	\$0 to \$827,489,407

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Costs - Office of Attorney General Personal Services (4 FTE) Fringe Benefits Total Costs - Office of Attorney General	(\$99,083) (\$41,020) (\$140,103)	(\$121,873) (\$50,455) (\$172,328)	(\$124,919) (\$51,716) (\$176,635)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	\$0 to \$758,565,165	\$0 to \$792,674,676	\$0 to \$828,348,484
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Savings - Department of Health and Senior Services Program Savings	\$0 to \$1,422,649	\$0 to \$1,486,668	\$0 to \$1,553,568
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Savings - Department of Social Services - Division of Medical Services Program Savings - Section 208.152	\$0 to \$1,112,489,462	\$0 to \$1,162,551,488	\$0 to \$1,214,866,305
Loss Department of Health and Senior			
Services Program Reimbursement	(\$0 to \$1,422,649)	(\$0 to \$1,486,668)	(\$0 to \$1,553568)
Loss Department of Social Services - Division of Medical Services			
Program Reimbursement	\$0 to \$1,112,489,462	\$0 to \$1,162,551,488	\$0 to \$1,214,866,305
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal states that persons made eligible for medical assistance benefits pursuant to the federal Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act of 1999, needy persons who comply with Title XIX, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 301 et seq.), and any person who is eligible for any other optional medical benefits provided by the Department of Social Services will only be eligible for these benefits if annual appropriations are made. The proposal will not apply to classes of individuals listed in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i).

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Mental Health Department of Health and Senior Services Department of Social Services

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