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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4918-01
Bill No.: HB 1627
Subject: Health Care Professionals; Hospitals; Medical Procedures and Personnel
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</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 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan**, the **Department of Insurance**, the **Department of Mental Health**, the **Department of Economic Development–Division of Professional Registration**, the **Missouri Department of Transportation**, and the **Missouri Department of Conservation** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact the operations of the DOH. DOH states if an impact were to result, funds to support the program would be sought through the appropriations process.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services–Division of Medical Services (DMS)** state this provision is already included in 13 CSR 70-3.030(3)(a)26, Sanctions for False or Fraudulent claims for Title XIX Services. DMS states the current policy is that anatomical and surgical pathology services must be performed by a physician. Therefore, DMS assumes there is no fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

This proposal prohibits licensed health care professionals from charging, billing, or soliciting payment for anatomic pathology services, unless the services are rendered personally by the health care professional or under his or her direct supervision. Any patient, insurer, third-party payor, hospital, public health clinic, or non-profit health clinic will not be required to reimburse any licensed health care professional for charges or claims submitted in violation of this provision. Nothing will prohibit the billing of a referring laboratory for services when samples must be sent to another specialist.

State licensing boards having jurisdiction over health care professionals who request or provide these services may revoke, suspend, or deny a license to anyone who violates these provisions.

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

Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan
Department of Insurance
Department of Mental Health
Department of Economic Development–
Division of Professional Registration
Missouri Department of Transportation
Missouri Department of Conservation
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services–
Division of Medical Services



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