

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1886-02
Bill No.: HB 817
Subject: Health Care; Health Care Professionals; Hospitals; Physicians
Type: Original
Date: March 22, 2007

Bill Summary: This proposal prohibits hospitals from charging uninsured patients more than the current Medicare reimbursement rate for services provided.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
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 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services** and the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions & Professional Registration** each assume the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health** assume the proposal would not create a fiscal impact because none of the DMH facilities are licensed by the Department of Health and Senior Services.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** state this proposal establishes the "Uninsured Patients Protection Act" in Section 197, RSMo. This legislation prohibits hospitals from charging uninsured patients more than the current Medicare reimbursement rate for services provided. An uninsured person is a resident of the state who does not have access to affordable employer-subsidized health care insurance or other health care coverage. A person who is eligible for medical assistance as authorized in Section 208.151, RSMo, is not uninsured for the purposes of this section.

Since this section does not affect individuals who are Medicaid eligible under Section 208.151, RSMo, there will be no fiscal impact to the Division of Medical Services.

Officials from the **Barton County Hospital, Bates County Memorial Hospital, Cedar County Memorial Hospital, Cooper County Hospital, Excelsior Springs Medical Center, Putnam County Memorial Hospital** and the **Washington County Memorial Hospital** have not responded to Oversight's request for fiscal information.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2008
(10 Mo.)

FY 2009

FY 2010

\$0

\$0

\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

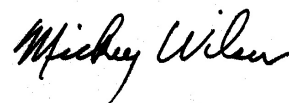
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration
Department of Mental Health
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services

Not Responding:

Barton County Hospital
Bates County Memorial Hospital
Cedar County Memorial Hospital
Cooper County Hospital
Excelsior Springs Medical Center
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