

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

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Bill Summary: This proposal extends the expiration date on various federal reimbursement allowances for 5 years.

This legislation will expire on September 30, 2023.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 10 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
Ambulance Provider Tax*	\$0	\$0	\$0
Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance Tax**	\$0	\$0	\$0
Hospital Reimbursement Allowance Tax ***	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pharmacy Provider Tax****	\$0	\$0	\$0
ICF/ID Provider Tax*****	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

\*Revenues and expenditures of approximately \$11.3 million annually net to \$0.

\*\*Revenues and expenditures of approximately \$193.7 million annually net to \$0.

\*\*\*Revenues and expenditures of approximately \$1.1 billion annually net to \$0.

\*\*\*\*Revenues and expenditures of approximately \$110.3 million annually net to \$0.

\*\*\*\*\*Revenues and expenditures of approximately \$6.0 million annually net to \$0.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
Federal*	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

\*Revenues and expenditures of approximately \$2.5 billion annually net to \$0.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

#### **Sections 190.839, 198.439, 208.480, 338.550 & 633.401:**

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DSS), Divisions of MO HealthNet (MHD)** and **Legal Services (DLS)** state the proposed legislation grants DSS the authority to the Hospital Federal Reimbursement Allowance, the Ambulance Reimbursement Allowance Tax, the Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance, the Pharmacy Tax and the Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled tax programs.

The proposed legislation extends the Hospital Federal Reimbursement Allowance program, the Ambulance Reimbursement Allowance Tax program, the Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance program, the Pharmacy Tax program and the Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled program to September 30, 2023. Currently, each of these programs will expire on September 30, 2018.

Passage of the proposed legislation would not fiscally impact the MHD. However, if the proposed legislation does not pass, additional funding will be needed to maintain the current level of services.

DLS has no fiscal impact from this legislation.

#### §190.839 - Ambulance Provider Tax

#The proposed legislation would allow the MHD to collect approximately \$11,293,934 in Ambulance Tax, which will allow MHD to draw in federal funds of approximately \$21,162,697 in fiscal year 2019. The FY 2019 budget submitted by the DSS assumed the ambulance tax would continue through FY 2019. If the proposed legislation does not pass, additional General Revenue funds of \$11,293,934 would be needed to continue the current level of services.

#### §198.439 – Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance Tax

#The proposed legislation would allow the MHD to collect \$193,652,023 in Nursing Facility Tax, which will allow MHD to draw in federal funds of \$362,867,283 in fiscal year 2019. The FY 2019 budget submitted by the DSS assumed the nursing facility tax would continue through fiscal year 2019. If this proposed legislation does not pass, additional General Revenue funds of \$193,652,023 would be needed to continue the current level of services.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

§208.480 - Hospital Federal Reimbursement Allowance

#The proposed legislation would allow the MHD to collect approximately \$1,064,868,921 in Hospital Tax, which will allow MHD to draw in federal funds of approximately \$1,995,363,057 in fiscal year 2019. The FY 2019 budget submitted by DSS assumed the hospital tax would continue through FY 2019. If the proposed legislation does not pass, additional General Revenue funds of \$1,064,868,921 would be needed to continue the current level of services.

§338.550 - Pharmacy Provider Tax

#The proposed legislation would allow the MHD to collect \$110,340,772 in pharmacy tax, which will allow MHD to draw in federal funds of \$126,537,924 in fiscal year 2019. The FY 2019 budget submitted by the DSS assumed the ambulance tax would continue through FY 2019. If the proposed legislation does not pass, additional General Revenue funds of \$67,529,717 would be needed to continue the current level of services.

§633.401 - Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled Provider Tax

#The proposed legislation would allow the MHD to collect approximately \$6,028,975 in intermediate care facilities for the intellectually disabled tax, which will allow MHD to draw in federal funds of \$4,445,830 in fiscal year 2019. The FY 2019 budget submitted by the Department of Mental Health assumed the intermediate care facilities for the intellectually disabled tax would continue through FY 2019. If this proposed legislation does not pass, additional General Revenue funds of \$6,028,975 would be needed to continue the current level of services.

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health (DMH)** state the proposed legislation extends the expiration date on various federal reimbursement allowance taxes from 2018 to 2023. Included in this proposal is the extension for the provider assessment for Intermediate Care Facilities/Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IDs) and hospitals. DMH assumes no fiscal impact should the sunset be extended to 2023. The provider assessment for ICF/IDs generates approximately \$5.6 million in revenue for DMH. The provider assessment for hospitals generates approximately \$12.9 million in additional revenues for DMH.

**Oversight** notes that the Department of Social Services (DSS) is the designated state agency that works with the federal government on Medicaid programs. Therefore, Oversight will use DSS provider tax numbers for the ICF/ID provider tax program.

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR)** and **Office of Administration, Division of Budget & Planning** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** state many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$2,500. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain with the core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

**Oversight** assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process.

**Oversight** notes the provisions of this proposal expire September 30, 2023. Oversight assumes the same amount of provider allowance taxes will be collected by DSS for all years. FY 2019 is shown as 9 months of impact since the current provisions expire September 30, 2018.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (9 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>AMBULANCE PROVIDER TAX FUND</b> (§190.839)			
<u>#Income - DSS</u>			
Assessment on Medicaid ambulance organizations	\$8,470,450	\$11,293,934	\$11,293,934
<u>#Costs - DSS</u>			
Medicaid program costs	<u>(\$8,470,450)</u>	<u>(\$11,293,934)</u>	<u>(\$11,293,934)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON AMBULANCE PROVIDER TAX FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>NURSING FACILITY REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE TAX FUND</b> (§198.439)			
<u>#Income - DSS</u>			
Assessment on Medicaid nursing facility organizations	\$145,239,017	\$193,652,023	\$193,652,023
<u>#Costs - DSS</u>			
Medicaid program costs	<u>(\$145,239,017)</u>	<u>(\$193,652,023)</u>	<u>(\$193,652,023)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON NURSING FACILITY REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE TAX FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (9 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE FUND (§208.480)</b>			
<u>#Income - DSS</u>			
Assessment on Medicaid hospital organizations	\$798,651,691	\$1,064,868,921	\$1,064,868,921
<u>#Costs - DSS</u>			
Medicaid program costs	<u>(\$798,651,691)</u>	<u>(\$1,064,868,921)</u>	<u>(\$1,064,868,921)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>PHARMACY PROVIDER TAX FUND (§ 338.550)</b>			
<u>#Income - DSS</u>			
Assessment on Medicaid pharmacy organizations	\$82,755,579	\$110,340,772	\$110,340,772
<u>#Costs - DSS</u>			
Medicaid program costs	<u>(\$82,755,579)</u>	<u>(\$110,340,772)</u>	<u>(\$110,340,772)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON PHARMACY PROVIDER TAX FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>ICF/ID PROVIDER TAX (§633.401)</b>			
<u>#Income - DSS</u>			
Assessment on Medicaid ICF/ID organizations	\$4,521,731	\$6,028,975	\$6,028,975
<u>#Costs - DSS</u>			
Medicaid program costs	<u>(\$4,521,731)</u>	<u>(\$6,028,975)</u>	<u>(\$6,028,975)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON ICF/ID PROVIDER TAX FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (9 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<u>Income - DSS</u>			
#Assessment on Medicaid ambulance organizations (§190.839)	\$15,872,023	\$21,162,697	\$21,162,697
#Assessment on Medicaid nursing facility organizations (§198.439)	\$272,150,462	\$362,867,283	\$362,867,283
#Assessment on Medicaid hospital organizations (§208.480)	\$1,496,522,293	\$1,995,363,057	\$1,995,363,057
#Assessment on Medicaid pharmacy organizations (§ 338.550)	\$94,903,443	\$126,537,924	\$126,537,924
#Assessment on Medicaid ICF/ID organizations (§633.401)	<u>\$3,334,372</u>	<u>\$4,445,830</u>	<u>\$4,445,830</u>
#Total <u>Income</u> - DSS	<u>\$1,882,782,593</u>	<u>\$2,510,376,791</u>	<u>\$2,510,376,791</u>
<u>Costs - DSS</u>			
# Medicaid program costs	<u>(\$1,882,782,593)</u>	<u>(\$2,510,376,791)</u>	<u>(\$2,510,376,791)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (9 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act extends the sunsets from September 30, 2018, to September 30, 2023, for the Ground Ambulance, Nursing Facility, Hospital, Pharmacy, and Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded Reimbursement Allowance Taxes.

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 Social Services -  
MO HealthNet Division  
Division of Legal Services  
Department of Mental Health  
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules  
Office of Administration -  
Division of Budget & Planning  
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