COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1765-01

Bill No.: Perfected HB 756
Subject: Insurance - Health

Type: Original

<u>Date</u>: April 16, 2019

Bill Summary: This proposal enacts provisions relating to unanticipated out-of-network

health care services.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
General Revenue Fund	(\$59,412)	(\$35,135)	(\$35,873)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$59,412)	(\$35,135)	(\$35,873)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
Federal Funds*	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

^{*} Revenues and Expenses Net to \$0.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Section 376.690

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DSS)** assume this legislation revises Chapter 376, which pertains to Health Maintenance Organizations (HMO). The health plans that contract with the state to provide health services in the MO HealthNet Managed Care Program are licensed as HMOs, therefore without a specific exemption, this legislation could pertain to these health plans.

This legislation revises legislation passed in FY 2018 that outlines reimbursement requirements and an arbitration system for reimbursement disputes for out-of-network providers providing "unanticipated out-of-network care" defined as services received in an in-network facility from an out-of-network provider when the patient presents with an emergency medical condition.

The legislation passed in FY 2018 was permissive and allowed for this reimbursement and arbitration system, and required an effective date of January 1, 2019. The current bill requires this reimbursement, the arbitration process and removes the January 1, 2019, effective date.

Currently, the MO HealthNet Managed Care contract requires that non-participating providers be reimbursed at 90% of the Fee-for-Service fee schedule. There are exceptions to this requirement including emergency services and "other non-participating reimbursement rates required by law or in the contract". Currently, emergency services provided by an out-of-network provider must be paid at no lower than the current MO HealthNet program rates in effect at the time of service.

If the proposed legislation passes and the MO HealthNet Managed Care contract would need to be amended to align non-participating reimbursement with the legislation, it would be assumed that unanticipated out-of-network care would be reimbursed at a rate higher than the current FFS fee schedule reimbursement. Given the negotiation process outlined and the connection of "reasonable" reimbursement to commercial levels, the "reasonable" level of reimbursement in Medicaid is not aligned with the negotiation benchmarks. This is true whether the MCO Medicaid contract required reimbursement at 90% of Medicaid FFS for non-participating providers or if the Medicaid FFS was required. It is assumed that the Managed Care capitation rates would increase at least \$100,000 for this change. We estimate the actuarial cost to evaluate this program change to the Managed Care capitation rates to be no more than \$50,000. Below splits are based on FMAP rate with a 2.10% medical inflation rate for FY21 and FY22.

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

FY20: (\$150,000) -- GR: (\$59,412); FF: (\$90,588) FY21: (\$102,100) - GR: (\$35,134.65); FF: (\$66,965.35) FY22: (\$104,244.10) - GR: (\$35,872.48); FF: (\$68,371.62)

Until the FY20 budget is finalized, the Department cannot identify specific appropriations.

Oversight notes that costs for capitation rate increases would be split 35.412% state funds and 65.588% federal funds. Costs for actuarial studies are split equally between state and federal funds.

Officials from the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, the Department of Health and Senior Services, the Department of Mental Health, the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan, the Department of Transportation, the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol and the Office of Administration - Administrative Hearing Commission each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Oversight notes that the above mentioned agencies have stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note for these agencies.

<u>(\$59,412)</u>	<u>(\$35,135)</u>	<u>(\$35,873)</u>
(\$25,000)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
(\$34,412)	(\$35,135)	(\$35,873)
FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
	(\$34,412) (\$25,000)	(10 Mo.) (\$34,412) (\$35,135) (\$25,000) <u>\$0</u>

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government (continued)	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
FEDERAL FUNDS			
Revenue - DSS (§376.690) Increase in Managed Care capitation rates	\$65,588	\$66,965	\$68,371
Actuarial Study	\$25,000	\$0	\$0
Cost - DSS (§376.690) Increase in Managed Care capitation rates	(\$65,588)	(\$66,965)	(\$68,371)
Actuarial Study	(\$25,000)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO FEDERAL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
	<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.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act specifies that health care professionals shall, rather than may, utilize the process outlined in statute for claims for unanticipated out-of-network care.

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

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Department of Social Services
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Mental Health
Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan
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Department of Transportation
Missouri Department of Conservation
Department of Public Safety
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