

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1484-01  
Bill No.: SB 281  
Subject: Insurance - Health; Dentists  
Type: Original  
Date: March 1, 2013

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Bill Summary: This proposal prohibits health carriers from contractually requiring dentists to provide non-covered dental services at an established fee.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

**ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services, Department of Mental Health, Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration and Missouri Department of Conservation** each assume the current proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Missouri Highway Patrol** state that the Department of Transportation Employee Benefits Section will be responding on behalf of the Highway Patrol.

Officials from the **Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan (MCHCP)** assume this proposal does not fiscally impact their agency. However, MCHCP members could pay additional out-of-pocket expenses because providers could charge the full fee for non-covered services rather than the discounted fee.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services - MoHealthNet Division (MHD)** assume under the MHD Managed Care Program and Medicaid in general, services cannot be reimbursed beyond the Medicaid covered services unless they are services provided “in lieu of” other more costly services. It is assumed the dental and optical services that could be non-covered services would be stand alone services and not replacement services for another similar service. Therefore, MHD does not believe these services could be reimbursed by the health plans or paid through a capitation rate by MHD. There would be no fiscal impact to the MHD Managed Care program for this requirement.

In response to similar legislation from last session, HB 1050, officials from the **Department of Transportation** assumed the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

<b><u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u></b>	FY 2014 (10 Mo.)	FY 2015	FY 2016
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

<b><u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u></b>	FY 2014 (10 Mo.)	FY 2015	FY 2016
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small business dentists could potentially charge a higher fee for non-covered dental services as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct 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 Health and Senior Services  
Department of Social Services  
Department of Mental Health  
Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan  
Department of Transportation  
Missouri Department of Conservation  
Missouri Highway Patrol



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