

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
2021 REGULAR SESSION**

MEASURE

2021 BR NUMBER 949

SENATE BILL NUMBER 55

TITLE AN ACT relating to copayments by medical assistance recipients.

SPONSOR Senator Stephen Meredith

FISCAL SUMMARY

STATE FISCAL IMPACT: YES NO UNCERTAIN

OTHER FISCAL STATEMENT(S) THAT MAY APPLY: ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS
 LOCAL MANDATE CORRECTIONS IMPACT HEALTH BENEFIT MANDATE

APPROPRIATION UNIT(S) IMPACTED: Department for Medicaid Services

FUND(S) IMPACTED: GENERAL ROAD FEDERAL RESTRICTED _____

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2020-2021	2021-2022	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES			
EXPENDITURES		\$2,900,000 GF \$8,800,000 FF	\$2,900,000 GF \$8,800,000 FF
NET EFFECT		(\$2,900,000) GF (\$8,800,000) FF	(\$2,900,000) GF (\$8,800,000) FF

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PURPOSE OF MEASURE: The purpose of the measure is to prohibit the imposition of copayments for services provided under the Medicaid program.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: The Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) estimates that the legislation would result in increased Medicaid expenditures of approximately \$11.7 million. Federal Medicaid match rates vary according to the particular Medicaid eligibility group. Assuming a blended match rate of 25 percent General Fund, DMS estimates that there would be a fiscal impact of \$2.9 million in General Fund and \$8.8 million in Federal Funds in increased Medicaid expenditures.

DATA SOURCE(S): Cabinet for Health and Family Services

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