TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



CORRECTED FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1960 - SB 2007

April 3, 2024

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (013823): Authorizes Nashville General Hospital to establish a state employee and retiree healthcare incentive program that will allow for the waiver of applicable out-of-pocket expenses associated with medical, surgical, or mental health care at the public hospital, including deductibles, except those deductibles associated with a high deductible plan, copays, and co-insurance, for state employees and retirees and their covered dependents participating in the State Group Insurance Plan (SGIP).

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

The original fiscal impact, issued March 3, 2024, was determined to be in error due to incomplete information. The fiscal impact has been corrected as follows:

(CORRECTED)

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Nashville General Hospital currently operates an incentive program for employees and pensioners of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County.
- The proposed legislation will allow Nashville General Hospital to expand their incentive program to SGIP participants and dependents and cover certain out-of-pocket expenses for such enrollees.
- The incentive program will not impact the SGIP share of medical expenses for enrollees at Nashville General Hospital.
- The proposed legislation does not allow deductibles associated with a high deductible plan to be waived.
- According to the SGIP 2022 Annual Report, the SGIP provides coverage for approximately 373,480 employees, retirees, and dependents.
- To the extent that the creation of an incentive program drives additional usage to Nashville General Hospital instead of local competitors, any impact to premiums for SGIP enrollees is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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