

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**CORRECTED
FISCAL NOTE**

HB 2269 - SB 2394

March 8, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds expedited external review procedures for covered persons with a cancer diagnosis under the *Tennessee Health Carrier Grievance and External Review Procedure Act*.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On March 7, 2018, a fiscal note was issued for this bill with the estimated impact as follows:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000

Further, the impact to commerce for this bill was estimated as follows:

Increase Business Revenue – \$100,000

Increase Business Expenditures – Less than \$100,000

The Department of Finance and Administration, the Division of Benefits Administration, has provided additional information for this legislation. Based on this additional information, the fiscal impact for the bill has been corrected as follows:

(CORRECTED)

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Corrected assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 56-61-102(32)(A), urgent care request means a request for a healthcare service or course of treatment with respect to which the time periods for making non-urgent care request determinations (1) could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the covered person or the ability of the covered person to regain maximum function; or (2) in the opinion of a physician with knowledge of the covered person's medical condition, would subject the covered person to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the healthcare service or treatment that is the subject of the request.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Finance and Administration, the Division of Benefits Administration (Benefits Administration) contracts with third party

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administrators for utilization review services. There were only 2 expedited reviews related to cancer in 2017; therefore, the fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant and can be accommodated within existing resources.

- Based on information provided by the Division of TennCare, the proposed legislation will not impact TennCare or CoverKids; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI), the proposed legislation will not have a significant impact on DCI's existing programs and policies; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

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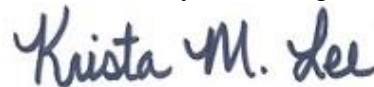
NOT SIGNIFICANT

Corrected assumption:

- Any fiscal impact on third party administrators is estimated to be not significant; therefore, the proposed legislation will not have a significant impact on commerce or jobs in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

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



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