

## Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB 291

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:**    Cherry

**3. Committee:** Pending

**4. Title:**    Long-term services and supports screening; expedited screening and screening exemption

**5. Summary:** The proposed legislation allows nursing facility staff to perform long-term services and supports screenings, under the state plan for medical assistance services, when screening teams determine they are unable to complete the screening within the required timeframe for individuals in imminent need of nursing facility placement. In addition, any individual receiving inpatient services in an acute care hospital discharged to a nursing facility for skilled care would not be required to be screened prior to discharge from the hospital unless the individual requests the screening. The bill also directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Minimal Fiscal Impact**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** While this legislation could impact Medicaid long-term services and supports costs, an exact estimate cannot be determined at this time. However, the Department of Medical Assistance Services does not expect any fiscal impact to be significant.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:**  
Department of Medical Assistance Services

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** This bill is a companion to SB 24.