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Fiscal Note

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**Prime Sponsors:** Sen. Moreno **Bill Status:** Senate Appropriations  
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**Bill Topic:** PRIMARY CARE PAYMENTS ALIGN FEDERAL FUNDING

- Summary of Fiscal Impact:**
- State Revenue
  - State Expenditure
  - State Transfer
  - TABOR Refund
  - Local Government
  - Statutory Public Entity

**Budget package bill.** The bill directs the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing to align payments from the Primary Care Fund with Medicaid to maximize the receipt of federal matching funds.

**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required.

**Fiscal Note Status:** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Table 1  
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 21-212

		Budget Year FY 2021-22	Out Year FY 2022-23
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	Federal Funds	\$25.3 million	\$25.3 million
Transfers		-	-
TABOR Refund		-	-

## **Summary of Legislation**

The Primary Care Fund, administered by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, is used to reimburse primary care providers that serve uninsured individuals. The fund receives 19 percent of state tobacco tax revenue, which is distributed in proportion to the number of uninsured individuals served by the provider. The bill requires the department, to the extent permitted by the state constitution and federal government, to align payments from this fund with Medicaid to maximize the receipt of federal matching funds.

## **State Expenditures**

If federal approval is granted, the bill is expected to result in an additional \$25,330,755 in federal matching funds for primary care providers that receive payments from the Primary Care Fund who are also Medicaid providers.

## **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

Health Care Policy and Financing

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