BILL SUMMARY

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.: HB 3214
Version: FA1
Request Number: 10702
Author: Rep. West (Kevin)
Date: 3/11/2024
Impact: \$0

Research Analysis

Pending

Prepared By: House Research Staff

Fiscal Analysis

HB 3214 grants medical practitioners, health care institutions, and health care payors the right to not participate in medical procedures or pay for services that violate their conscience. Civil or criminal liability or discriminatory actions against those who exercise their right of conscience is prohibited, however, this measure does not override the requirement to provide emergency medical treatment to all patients. The state licensing board must provide a medical practitioner with any compliant received within fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt or the licensing board must pay the practitioner an administrative penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) per week of noncompliance.

Health care payors who are subject to the Insurance Commissioner's jurisdiction must include a list of services in their policy they may decline to pay for on the basis of conscience. The Insurance Commissioner must promulgate necessary rules regarding the implementation to those insurers under its jurisdiction. The Oklahoma Insurance Department (OID) is a non-appropriated state agency, therefore, any related costs are assumed to be objective within the Department's existing budgetary resources.

In its current form, this measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriation.

Prepared By: Alexandra Ladner, House Fiscal Staff

Other Considerations

None.

© 2024 Oklahoma House of Representatives, see Copyright Notice at www.okhouse.gov