TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1376 – SB 1222

February 28, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires healthcare providers and healthcare facilities to inform a patient or the patient's legal representative whether any health insurance policy carried by the patient is accepted, and whether the services provided will be considered in-network prior to providing healthcare services. Provides an exception for patients experiencing medical emergencies.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Department of Health can handle any increase in formal complaints, utilizing existing resources without an increase in expenditures.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Finance and Administration, Division of Benefits Administration (Division), the proposed legislation will not impact the state group insurance program; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

 Requiring healthcare providers and facilities to inform a patient of whether any health insurance policy carried by the patient is accepted, and whether the services provided will be considered in-network prior to providing healthcare services will not significantly impact jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

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

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