

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 224 - HB 334**

February 6, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Changes the term “physician” to “direct primary care physician”, and changes the enforcing disciplinary entity for breaching a direct primary care agreement from the “Board of Medical Examiners” to the “appropriate licensing board”, as each relate to the *Health Care Empowerment Act*. Authorizes chiropractor physicians to enter into a direct primary care agreement with an individual patient or the patient’s legal representative.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health (DOH), allowing chiropractor physicians to enter into direct primary care agreements could impact the DOH in disciplinary matters.
- Any disciplinary actions taken by an appropriate licensing board will take place during regularly-scheduled board meetings and can be accomplished within existing resources.

**CERTIFICATION:**

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

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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