

Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB2216-E

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Leftwich

3. **Committee:** Commerce and Labor

4. **Title:** Health insurance; mental health benefits; coverage for mobile crisis response services.

5. **Summary:** The engrossed bill requires health insurance carriers to provide coverage for mobile crisis response services, defined in the bill, and support and stabilization services provided in a residential crisis stabilization unit, defined in the bill. Coverage shall include mobile crisis response services and support and stabilization services provided in a residential crisis stabilization unit to the extent that such services are covered in other settings or modalities, regardless of any difference in billing codes.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary – see Item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** According to the State Corporation Commission (SCC), the proposed legislation is not expected to impact qualified health plans (QHPs) sold through the Virginia Health Benefit Exchange. Pursuant to Section 38.2-6506 A.1., if services are identified in addition to the ones contained in Virginia’s Benchmark Plan, QHPs sold through the Virginia health insurance exchange would not be required to cover these services, and, therefore, would not trigger state defrayal of the additional costs to insurers.

According to the Department of Human Resource Management, this bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the state health insurance program.

According to the Department of Medical Assistance Services, this bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on Medicaid.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State Corporation Commission, Department of Human Resource Management, and Department of Medical Assistance Services.

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is similar to SB 1347-E. The engrossed version of SB 1347 requires the SCC, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Resources, to convene a work group to examine network standards for mobile crisis response services and the current availability of mobile crisis response services in the Commonwealth. The SCC shall report the work group's findings to the Health Insurance Reform Commission and Governor no later than September 1, 2023.