

Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB1425

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed

Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Mason

3. **Committee:** Commerce and Labor

4. **Title:** Health insurance; ensuring fairness in cost-sharing.

5. **Summary:** Amends provisions related to rebates provided by carriers and health benefit plans to health plan enrollees by defining defined cost-sharing, price protection rebates, and pharmacy benefits management services. The bill requires that an enrollee's defined cost-sharing for each prescription drug shall be calculated at the point of sale based on a price that is reduced by an amount equal to at least 80 percent of all rebates received or expected to be received in connection with the dispensing or administration of the prescription drug.

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

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

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The bill defines "health benefit plan" to mean the same meaning as provided in § 38.2-3438, Code of Virginia, and does not include a state or local government employer plan, including the state employee health insurance plan under § 2.2-2818.2, Code of Virginia. Since the bill excludes the state health insurance plan, the bill is not expected to have a state fiscal impact.

According to the State Corporation Commission, the proposed legislation is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the Virginia Health Benefit Exchange.

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

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

11. **Other Comments:** None.