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# **Fiscal Note**

| Drafting Number:<br>Prime Sponsors: | LLS 24-0176<br>Sen. Roberts<br>Rep. Catlin; Daugherty  | Date:<br>Bill Status:<br>Fiscal Analyst: | March 19, 2024<br>Senate Health & Human Services<br>Kristine McLaughlin   303-866-4776<br>kristine.mclaughlin@coleg.gov |
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| Bill Topic:                         | ARBITRATION OF HE  | ALTH INSURANCE                           | CLAIMS  |
| Summary of<br>Fiscal Impact:        | <ul><li>☐ State Revenue</li><li>☒ State Expenditure</li></ul>  | ☐ State Transfer☐ TABOR Refund           | ☐ Local Government☐ Statutory Public Entity   |
|                                     | The bill requires the Department of Regulatory Agencies to develop a system to batch health insurance claims for arbitration. The bill minimally impacts state workload. |  |   |
| Appropriation Summary:              | No appropriation is requi  | red.                                     |   |
| Fiscal Note<br>Status:              | The fiscal note reflects the   | e introduced bill.                       |   |
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The bill requires the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) to adopt rules that permit the batching of health insurance claims for arbitration, so that they may considered jointly under the same arbitration fee and payment determination.

### **State Expenditures**

Workload will minimally increase in DORA for rulemaking, which requires legal services provided by the Department of Law. Workload in the Division of Insurance (DOI) in DORA, which receives between 100 and 500 requests for arbitration annually, may minimally decrease if batching claims expedites them, and may minimally increase if allowing for claims to be batched results in more claims being filed. Workload impacts can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

### **State and Local Government Contacts**

| Information Technology | Law | Regulatory Agencies |  |
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