HB 25-1226

Fiscal Note

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HB 25-1226: HEALTH CARE REVIEW INTERIM COMMITTEE BILLING STUDY

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Bill Outcome: Deemed Lost
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Fiscal note status: This final fiscal note reflects the reengrossed bill. It has also been updated to reflect the impact of passage of Senate Bill 25-199. The bill was deemed lost in the Senate Appropriations committee on May 8, 2025; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill would have required the Statewide Health Care Review Committee to study health care billing practices and produce a report.

Types of impacts. The bill would have affected the following areas in FY 2025-26 only:

- State Expenditures

Appropriations. For FY 2025-26, the bill would have required an appropriation of $9,607 to the Legislative Department.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
State Revenue	$0	$0
State Expenditures (General Fund)	$9,607	$0
Transferred Funds	$0	$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	$0	$0
Change in State FTE	0.1 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Statewide Health Care Review Committee to produce a report on the committee's activities and recommendations to improve health care billing practices. The report must be submitted within 90 days of the final committee meeting of the 2025 interim.

Background

During the 2025 legislative session, the General Assembly passed Senate Bill 25-199, which suspends the several interim committees for the 2025 interim session, including the Statewide Health Care Review Committee. Suspending these committees resulted in lower General Fund appropriations to the legislative branch for member per diem, travel, and staff. Because SB 25-199 eliminated funding for this committee and HB 25-1226 effectively revives the committee by requiring them to meet during the 2025 interim, the Legislative Department requires an appropriation to support this committee in FY 2025-26. However, as a result of SB 25-199, members of the committee will serve without compensation or reimbursement.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state expenditures in the Legislative Department by about $10,000 and 0.1 FTE in FY 2025-26 only. The bill also minimally affects workload in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) and the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA).

Table 2
State Expenditures
Legislative Department

Cost Component	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
Personal Services	$6,711	$0
Staff Travel	$1,696	$0
Van Rental	$1,200	$0
Total Costs	**$9,607**	**$0**
Total FTE	**0.1 FTE**	**0.0 FTE**

Legislative Department

As discussed in the Background section, SB 25-199 suspended all legislative interim actives and correspondingly reduced the legislative department appropriation for the committee. The fiscal note assumes that this bill will cause the committee to meet two times in the FY 2025-26 interim, as expected before SB 25-199. This requires the eliminated appropriation for the committee to be partially restored. In a typical interim, appropriations would also be included to cover the costs of legislator per diem and travel/expenses reimbursement; however, SB 25-199 specifies that members are not entitled to these benefits in the FY 2025-26 interim.

As outlined in Table 2, Legislative Council Staff will have costs for 0.1 FTE to assist the committee in its duties, conduct research, and coordinate field trips. Cost for field trips include staff travel expenses and van rentals

Other Agency Impacts

Workload in HCPF and DORA may increase to assist the committee in studying billing practices and producing the report. This work depends on scope of the study and is expected to be absorbable within existing appropriations. If workload increases materially, expenditures will be addressed through the annual budget process.

Effective Date

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

State Appropriations

For FY 2025-26, the bill requires a General Fund appropriation of $9,607 to the Legislative Department for use by Legislative Council Staff, and 0.1 FTE.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing

Regulatory Agencies

Legislative Council Staff