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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 602(Senator Roesser. et al.)Finance

Insurance Carriers - Compensation of Health Care Practitioners

This bill prohibits an insurer, a nonprofit health service plan, an HMO, a dental plan organization, or a third party administrator (carrier) from charging a health care practitioner a fee or other form of monetary assessment as a condition of being on the carrier's provider panel.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect State finances or operations.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Potential minimal. Health care providers that are small businesses would not have to pay any fees currently charged that would be prohibited by the bill.

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