HB 480

Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 480 (Delegate Barve, et al.) Economic Matters

Health Insurers - Appeal of Reimbursement Decisions - Nontermination Provision

This bill provides that a health insurer or health maintenance organization (HMO) that refuses to pay a claim must provide the health care provider, hospital, or nursing home with an opportunity to seek a reconsideration or appeal of the denial. A health insurer or HMO is prohibited from terminating a provider from participation in its provider panel for seeking reconsideration of the denial.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: None.

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