

Department of Fiscal Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 273 (Senator Young)  
Finance

---

**Health Maintenance Organizations - Compensation and Financial Incentive  
Arrangements -Disclosure**

---

This bill provides that a health maintenance organization (HMO) may not prohibit health care providers from disclosing compensation and financial arrangements with the HMO to enrollees.

---

**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Potential minimal increase in general fund revenues due to the bill's penalty provision. No effect on expenditures.

**Local Effect:** None.

---

**Fiscal Analysis**

**State Revenues:** The bill provides that the Insurance Administration may impose a penalty of up to \$1,000 for each violation or apply to any court for legal or equitable relief. Accordingly, general fund revenues could increase depending on the number and amount of fines imposed. Any such increase is assumed to be minimal.

---

**Information Source(s):** Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning, Insurance Administration, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Medical Care Programs Administration), Department of Fiscal Services

**Fiscal Note History:** First Reader - February 7, 1996

ncs

---

Analysis by: Sue Friedlander

Reviewed by: John Rixey

Direct Inquiries to:

John Rixey, Coordinating Analyst

(410) 841-3710

(301) 858-3710