Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE Revised

Senate Bill 770 (Senator Roesser) Finance

Referred to Economic Matters

Health Insurance - Task Force to Review Requirements for Providers to Serve on Panels

This amended bill establishes a 19-member Task Force to Review Requirements for Providers to Serve on Panels. The task force must review the prevalence and circumstances under which health insurers and HMOs require health care providers, as a condition of participation or continuation on a provider panel, to serve on the provider panel of another health service delivery system of the carrier or on a provider panel of another carrier. Staffing will be provided by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Maryland Insurance Administration. The task force must submit a report of its review and any recommendations to the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Environmental Matters Committee, and the House Economic Matters Committee by December 1, 1997.

This bill takes effect June 1, 1997.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill's requirements could be handled with existing resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None. The bill does not directly affect small businesses.

Information Source(s): Insurance Administration; Department of Budget and Management; Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Boards and Commissions, Board of Physician

Quality Assurance); Department of Fiscal Services

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