

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

House Bill 1084 (Delegate Redmer)

Environmental Matters

Medicaid Reimbursement - Nursing Facilities

This bill requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) to study the feasibility of altering the payment parameters, structure, and target occupancy percentage currently used in the Medicaid reimbursement formula for nursing facilities. In determining the payments to nursing facilities, DHMH must consider payments that would more accurately reflect current market costs and appropriate nursing home capacity. DHMH must report the findings of the study and make recommendations for altering the payment parameters, structure, and target occupancy percentage to the Senate Finance Committee, the House Environmental Matters Committee, and the General Assembly by December 1, 1998.

The bill takes effect June 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any increase in workload and expenditures relating to the study could be absorbed within existing resources. Any impact on the Medicaid program would depend on the recommendations of the study.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Information Source(s): Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Medical Care Policy Administration, Community and Public Health Administration, Licensing and Certification); Department of Legislative Services

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