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FISCAL NOTE
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House Bill 493 (Delegate Nathan-Pulliam)

Environmental Matters

Finance

Medical Assistance and Children's Health Programs - Directory of Health Care Providers

This bill requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) to provide Medicaid enrollees, individuals eligible for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and health care providers with an accurate and reasonably current directory or other listing of all available providers: (1) in written form, made available upon request; and (2) on an internet database.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The provision of health care provider directories could be handled with existing Medicaid resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Although not required by law, DHMH provides directories of providers to new Medicaid and CHIP enrollees.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: SB 637 (Senator Kelley, *et al.*) – Finance.

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