# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 1014-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 259

Subject: Health Care; Insurance - Medical; Insurance Dept.

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 2, 2009

Bill Summary: Clarifies that a health insurer has forty-five processing days, not calendar

days, to pay a claim.

### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

- □ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan, Missouri Department of Conservation, Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, Missouri Department of Transportation, and Missouri House of Representatives assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety (DPS) - Directors' Office** state they are unable to determine the fiscal impact of the proposal and defer to the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan for response regarding the potential fiscal impact.

Officials from the **DPS - Missouri State Highway Patrol (MHP)** defer to the Missouri Department of Transportation for response regarding the potential fiscal impact of this proposal on their organization.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services - MO HealthNet Division (MHD)** state the proposed legislation extends the amount of time a health carrier has to process a claim, therefore, decreasing the amount of interest collected. The amount of interest collected by the MHD from health carriers historically has been very insignificant. Therefore, the fiscal impact to the MHD would be immaterial.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<b>\$0</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

The proposal may have a negative impact on health care related businesses if carriers take longer to process and pay health care claims.

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### **FISCAL DESCRIPTION**

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Missouri Department of Conservation Missouri House of Representatives

Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration
Department of Social Services
Missouri Department of Transportation
Department of Public Safety Director's Office
Missouri State Highway Patrol
Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan

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