

# FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council

01/12/2005

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1303

1A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures		\$0		(\$25,000)		(\$25,000)
Appropriations						

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. **Narrative:** *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

HB 1303 removes the requirement that a cost benefit analysis be prepared before a measure mandating health insurance coverage may be acted on by any committee of the Legislative Assembly.

During the 58th Legislative Assembly, three health benefit mandates were introduced and cost benefit analyses were prepared by Milliman and Associates. The costs of the analyses were:

\$ 7,867.33 - SB 2210 - Coverage for substance abuse treatment

\$16,448.64 - HB 1247 and 1349 - Outpatient prescription drugs and services (HB 1247) and colorectal cancer screening (HB 1349)

\$24,315.97 - Total

The cost of the analyses was paid for with moneys from the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund.

This fiscal note presumes that future Legislative Assemblies will introduce three health insurance mandates and that the cost of the analyses will approximate the cost of the analyses prepared during the 58th Legislative Assembly. This may or may not be the case.

The Legislative Assembly may study more or fewer than three mandates and the cost of the mandates may be more or less, depending on the mandate.

The estimated impact on expenses of approximately \$25,000 per biennium is the Insurance Department's best estimate of the impact of this bill on the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund expenses.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund*

*affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

- B. Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

It is estimated that the proposed bill will reduce expenses by \$25,000 per biennium for the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund.

- C. Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

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