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FISCAL NOTE

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Kennedy Sen. Coram; Smallwood	Bill Status: House Health, Insurance and Environment
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BILL TOPIC: HCPF ANNUAL REPORT ON HOSPITAL EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Minimal workload increase.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: Minimal ongoing workload increase.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF), in consultation with the Hospital Provider Fee Oversight and Advisory Board, to prepare an annual report detailing the cost of uncompensated care provided by general hospitals in Colorado. The bill specifies the information that hospitals are required to submit to HCPF and the cost categories that must be included in the hospital expenditure report. HCPF is required to submit the hospital expenditure report to the Health and Human Services Committees and the Joint Budget Committee of the General Assembly, the Governor, and the Medical Services Board by January 15 of each year beginning in 2018.

State Expenditures

The bill increases workload in HCPF by a minimal amount beginning in FY 2017-18 to prepare the annual hospital expenditure report. HCPF staff must develop data collection standards for hospitals submitting information, analyze and categorize hospital expenditure data, and prepare the report. It is assumed that this work can be accomplished by HCPF within existing appropriations.

The bill may also increase workload and costs for hospitals operated by institutions of higher education that are required to submit expenditure data to HCPF. Given that hospitals already collect data and prepare various reports for the federal government and as part of standard business practices, any additional workload is assumed to be minimal.

Local Government Impact

To the extent local governments operate hospitals that are required to submit expenditures information to HCPF, workload will increase for these facilities. As described in the State Expenditures section, this workload is assumed to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 9, 2017, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 10, 2017, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing

Information Technology