

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 530** HLS 20RS 296
 Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ SEN COMM AMD**
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Insurance Coverage for Telehealth/Telemedicine		

INSURANCE/HEALTH RE1 SEE FISC NOTE SG EX Page 1 of 1
 Provides for coverage of healthcare services provided through telehealth or telemedicine

Proposed law requires insurers offering telehealth/telemedicine services to conspicuously display policies and information regarding such services on their respective websites. Proposed law sets requirements for providers offering remote patient monitoring services and sets the requirements for providers receiving reimbursements for such services. Proposed law provides for definitions. Effective January 1, 2021.

EXPENDITURES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	SEE BELOW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in a one-time SGR expenditure for the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) that is anticipated to be negligible. The proposed measure is permissive and does not mandate health insurers to carry telehealth/telemedicine coverage, but requires insurers to list certain information regarding telehealth/telemedicine coverage on their respective websites to the extent they offer it. OGB anticipates a marginal one-time cost to update its website to highlight where beneficiaries may find telehealth/telemedicine information at Blue Cross Blue Shield of LA's webpage, as BCBSLA acts as OGB's third-party administrator.

Furthermore, the proposed legislation outlines statutory requirements that providers offering remote patient monitoring services must meet to be eligible for reimbursement from insurers offering that coverage, but does not require coverage for such services.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

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 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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