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 Provides relative to health care provider charges for health records

Proposed law decreases the fees charged for the provision of original treatment records in paper form, digital format copies, X-ray copies, and other imaging media copies. Proposed law also establishes penalties for violations relative to the provision of and charges associated with health records.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$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	\$0

REVENUES	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$250,550)
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	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$50,110)	(\$250,550)

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Under current law, health care providers are already required to provide the medical records to the parties included in the proposed legislation. There is no anticipated change in the number of medical records requests. In addition, should any state or local health care facility violate the statute's provisions regarding the provision of medical records, its expenditures would increase by \$1,000 per violation plus attorney fees and costs for civil penalties, which would be paid to the requestor of the medical records.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Total state revenues are anticipated to decrease by an estimated \$50,110 annually (\$44,563 from LSU & \$5,547 from DHH agencies) as detailed below.

LSU State Charity Hospitals

It is anticipated that only a minor decrease in self-generated revenues will result from this legislation in future fiscal years. In FY 11, the LSU hospitals generated approximately \$57,500 from medical records out of the \$121,826,807 total self-generated revenues collected across all 10 hospitals. According to the proposed legislation, the LFO calculates an average fee decrease of 77.5% as it relates to fees for medical records. Based on this percentage, LSU's overall revenues would decrease by an estimated \$44,563, or 0.03% of the \$121.8 M collected.

Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH)

Based on current DHH receipts as of 3/6/2012, it is projected that the department will receive approximately \$7,157 from medical records fees in FY 12. Therefore, based on the fee reductions in the proposed legislation, DHH's revenues could potentially decrease by \$5,547 (\$7,157 x 77.5%) annually.

<p><u>Senate</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}</p>	<p><u>Dual Referral Rules</u></p>	<p><u>House</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S}</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}</p>	<p><i>H. Gordon Monk</i></p> <hr/> <p>H. Gordon Monk Legislative Fiscal Officer</p>
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