

Department of Planning and Budget
2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB962

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☒ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Chichester

3. Committee House General Laws

4. Title Department of Treasury; risk management plan; inclusion of free health clinics

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill establishes that free health clinics (including clinics that charge a reasonable minimum fee) are eligible for participation in the State's risk management plan.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are not available: SEE ITEM 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The bill allows free health clinics to participate in the state's risk management plan for political subdivisions and constitutional officers. Any fiscal impact depends on the number of free clinics that choose to join the risk management plan. However, all administrative, program and payment of claims will be covered by the premiums charged to the free clinics and from the overall risk pool. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact on the state. The Department of the Treasury can absorb the additional workload within its current staffing level.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of the Treasury.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: HB2135 is a similar bill introduced by Delegate Brink.

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cc: Secretary of Finance