

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 942

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Reeves

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Certificate of public need; amendment of charity care provisions upon expansion of the state program

5. Summary: The bill provides that the Commissioner of Health may accept and approve requests for amendments to charity care provisions of existing certificates of public need to reduce the level of charity care required and establish levels of care for persons receiving medical assistance services through Medicaid, upon expansion of the Commonwealth's Medicaid program in accordance with the provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. In addition, the bill provides that for the purpose of complying with charity care provisions, "persons requiring specialized care" includes veterans with service-connected disabilities.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill has no fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. The bill provides that the Commissioner of Health may approve amendments to certificates of public need to reflect lower charity care requirements if the Commonwealth expands Medicaid as specified in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended, to cover adults up to 133 percent of the federal poverty level. This expansion of Medicaid would eliminate most charity care in the Commonwealth and this bill allows the Commissioner of Health to reflect that by approving changes to lower charity care requirements for medical facilities.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health and Department of Medical Assistance Services.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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