

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2183

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: Yost, Joseph R.

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Medicaid; eligibility of incarcerated individuals

5. Summary: The proposed legislation requires that the Department of Medical Assistance Services include in its state plan for medical assistance services a provision that (i) requires an inmate's Medicaid eligibility to be placed in suspension, rather than terminated, during his incarceration and (ii) provides that the time during which the inmate is incarcerated shall not be included in determining the date by which he must recertify his eligibility for medical assistance.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Medical Assistance Services reports that the Medicaid program does not currently suspend coverage for incarcerated individuals. Rather, when notified that a Medicaid recipient is incarcerated, staff in local departments of social services evaluate whether the individual could continue to remain eligible for coverage. If so, that individual is moved into a specialized group to ensure that any eligible inpatient hospital services claims are paid. Therefore, this legislation is not expected to have any significant fiscal impact.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/18/17