

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2457

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: Garrett, T. Scott

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Health and Human Resources Secretariat; single state agency for data collection and sharing, report

5. Summary: The proposed legislation provides that the agencies of the Health and Human Resources Secretariat shall be deemed a single state agency for the purposes of data collection and sharing and shall share data, records, and information about applicants for and recipients of services from the agencies of the Secretariat, to the extent allowed by federal law, for the purposes of (i) streamlining administrative processes and reducing administrative burdens on the agencies, (ii) reducing paperwork and administrative burdens on the applicants and recipients, and (iii) increasing access to and quality of services provided by the agencies. The bill requires the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to report on the implementation of the provisions of this act by October 1, 2017.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Indeterminate

7. Indeterminate Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: Although the bill could have a significant fiscal impact on HHR agencies, there insufficient information available to provide a reasonable estimate. A survey of agency resources, systems and impacted data is needed before an estimate can be provided.

The proposed legislation requires, to the extent allowed by federal law, all agencies of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources (SHHR) to share data, records, and information about applicants for and recipients of services. While the bill provides three broad purposes for sharing, it does not specify how or when information is to be shared. However, it is assumed that with purposes such as streamlining processes, reducing paperwork and increasing access such sharing is intended to be electronic and relatively seamless. Therefore, it is assumed that HHR agencies would be required to provide all other HHR agencies access to their applicant and receipt data, except that which is federally prohibited. While there are no current estimates available, it is likely that there would be additional costs for developing the technological capacity to provide the prescribed access.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

All agencies in the Secretary of Health and Human Resources

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/23/17.