

# State Corporation Commission

## 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB39

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed

**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Samirah

**3. Committee:** General Laws

**4. Title:** Health benefit plans; enrollment by pregnant individuals.

**5. Summary:** Requires health carriers to allow pregnant individuals to enroll in a health benefit plan at any time after the commencement of the pregnancy, with the pregnant individual's coverage being effective as of the first of the month in which the individual receives certification of the pregnancy. The measure applies to such agreements that are entered into, amended, extended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2021.

**6. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** No Fiscal Impact on the State Corporation Commission

**8. Fiscal Implications:** None on the State Corporation Commission

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** State Corporation Commission and the Commission's Bureau of Insurance

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No

**11. Other comments:** The State Corporation Commission Bureau of Insurance advised Delegate Samirah that requiring a special enrollment period for pregnant individuals may not be permissible under federal rules for a federally facilitated exchange. In states with a state-based exchange, special enrollment periods are permitted.

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