

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB41

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Samirah

3. Committee: Committee Referral Pending

4. Title: Adverse childhood experiences; Board of Medicine to adopt regulations for screening.

5. Summary: Directs the Board of Medicine to adopt regulations requiring every health care practitioner licensed by the Board who provides primary health care services to, at the time of a patient's first appointment, (i) provide to the patient information regarding the impact of adverse childhood experiences on physical and mental health and the risks and benefits of screening patients for adverse childhood experiences and (ii) screen patients for adverse childhood experiences that may impact a patient's physical or mental health or the provision of health care services to such patient.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Cannot be determined, see item #8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The provisions of the bill would require the Board of Medicine to promulgate regulations. The new regulations could generate complaints that would have to be investigated and adjudicated, which may impact the Board and the Department in the future. The extent of this impact cannot be determined.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.