

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB42H1

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

2. Patron: Samirah

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Health care providers; screening of patients for prenatal and postpartum depression, training.

5. Summary: The Board of Medicine shall annually issue a communication to every practitioner licensed by the Board who provides primary, maternity, obstetrical, or gynecological health care services reiterating the standard of care pertaining to prenatal or postnatal depression or other depression. Such communication shall encourage practitioners to screen every patient who is pregnant or who has been pregnant within the previous five years for prenatal or postnatal depression or other depression, as clinically appropriate and shall provide information to practitioners regarding the factors that may increase susceptibility of certain patients to prenatal or postnatal depression or other depression, including racial and economic disparities, and encourage providers to remain cognizant of the increased risk of depression for such patients.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Minimal, see item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Any increase in workload for the Board of Medicine to issue annual communications to licensed practitioners can be absorbed within existing resources.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.