

State Corporation Commission

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB442

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Carroll Foy

3. Committee: Labor and Commerce

4. Title: Health insurance; coverage for donated human breast milk.

5. Summary: Requires health insurers, corporations providing health care coverage subscription contracts, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for expenses incurred in the provision of pasteurized donated human breast milk. The requirement applies if the covered person is an infant under the age of six months, the milk is obtained from a human milk bank that meets quality guidelines established by the Department of Health, and a licensed medical practitioner has issued an order for an infant who satisfies certain criteria. The measure applies to policies, contracts, and plans delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2021.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No. See Item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact on the State Corporation Commission. The impact on the State Health Insurance Plan is unknown at this time.

8. Fiscal Implications: None on the State Corporation Commission. The impact on the State Health Insurance Plan is unknown at this time.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Corporation Commission Bureau of Insurance and the Department of Human Resource Management

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: House Bill 442 is similar to the patron's 2019 House Bill 2049 except that it no longer amends Title 32.1 to require the state plan for medical assistance services to include a provision for payment of medical assistance services incurred in the provision of pasteurized donated human breast milk.

Last year's House Bill 2049 was referred to the Health Insurance Reform Commission where a Step One assessment was prepared in which it was noted that enactment of the measure would represent a new mandate not currently contained in the Virginia Essential Health Benefit Benchmark Plan. The Commonwealth may be required to defray the costs of any new health insurance mandates which are enacted.

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