

Department of Planning and Budget 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB 2232

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☒ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Murphy

3. **Committee:** Appropriations

4. **Title:** Medical assistance services; provision for violence prevention services benefit in state plan

5. **Summary:** The substitute bill directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to convene a work group to advise the Board of Medical Assistance Services on the design and implementation of a violence prevention services benefit. The work group must include representatives from the department and violence intervention programs, medical providers, survivors of community violence, and other members as deemed appropriate by the department. The department must report the findings of such work group to the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Education and Health and the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions by November 1, 2023.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 307.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
	\$100,000	General
2024	\$100,000	Nongeneral
2025	-	-
2026	-	-
2027	-	-
2028	-	-
2029	-	-
2030	-	-

8. **Fiscal Implications:** Convening a workgroup composed of the required representatives is not expected to have any significant costs. However, DMAS maintains that the bill's requirement to "advise on the design and implementation of a violence prevention benefit" will require effort and expertise that is not available within current agency resources. DMAS reports that such language would require the agency to fully develop services, protocols, and cost projections associated with a violence prevention benefit that includes actuarially sound rates for capitation and fee-for-service programs. Based on previous experiences, DMAS estimates that this bill would require one-time administrative funding of \$200,000

(\$100,000 general fund) to procure the expertise, including actuarial services for rate development, necessary to develop this benefit within the timeframe required in the bill.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Medical Assistance Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None