

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB 1098

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

2. **Patron:** Guzman

3. **Committee:** Education and Health

4. **Title:** Obesity prevention and other obesity-related services; payment of medical assistance

5. **Summary:** The substitute bill directs the Joint Commission on Health Care (the Commission) to study and provide recommendations related to the payment of medical assistance for obesity prevention and other obesity-related services, including (i) the types of obesity prevention and other obesity-related services for which federal matching funds are available, (ii) the cost to the Commonwealth of providing medical assistance for such obesity prevention and other obesity-related services for eligible individuals, and (iii) any federal approvals or other actions necessary to allow for the payment of medical assistance for obesity prevention and other obesity-related services. The bill requires the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Chairmen of the House Committees on Appropriations and Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committees on Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health by November 1, 2022.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes, Item 32

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2023	\$147,414	General Fund

8. **Fiscal Implications:** The Joint Commission on Health Care (the Commission) reports that the Commission does not have sufficient in house expertise to meet the requirements of this bill. As such, the Commission assumes that a contractor, at a one-time cost of \$147,414, with programmatic and actuarial knowledge would be hired to develop the necessary benefit and pricing information. JCHC worked with the Department of Medical Assistance Services and based this estimate on the historical cost of similar efforts.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Joint Commission on Health Care

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

11. **Other Comments:** None

Date: 3/1/2022