

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB681

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

2. Patron: Obenshain

3. Committee: Commerce and Labor

4. Title: Duty of in-network providers to submit claims to health insurers; civil penalty.

5. Summary: Current law requires any in-network provider who provides health care services to a covered patient to submit its claim to the health insurer for the healthcare services in accordance with the terms of the applicable provider agreement or as permitted under applicable federal or state laws or regulations. This bill provides that any in-network provider who does not submit its claim in accordance with the law is subject to a civil penalty of \$1,000 per violation to be collected by the Attorney General and deposited into the Literary Fund.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Indeterminate

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See Item 8 below.

8. Fiscal Implications: The number of penalties that may be assessed under the provisions of this bill is not known at this time. Therefore, the impact the proposal may have on Literary Fund revenue cannot be estimated. If additional staff are required to address the workload associated with this bill, the Office of Attorney General estimates the annual cost of one full-time finance specialist at \$108,695 (salary and benefits). The impact this bill may have on courts is not known at this time.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Office of Attorney General, courts

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 2/3/2022