

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: HB1267

Bill Subtitle: AN ACT TO REQUIRE A PRIOR APPROVAL PROCESS FOR EXPERIMENTAL AND INVESTIGATIONAL SURGICAL PROCEDURES AND MEDICAL DEVICES.

Basic Change :

Representative Kerr

Requires carriers to have a process to allow exceptions to certain coverage policies.

Revenue Impact :

None -- assuming the plan still maintains the authority to review the medical evidence and deny the requested "exception" if the medical evidence is deemed inadequate.

Taxpayer Impact :

None

Resources Required :

None

Time Required :

None

Procedural Changes :

None -- we already have a process for the physician to request an "exception" to the plan's exclusions.

Other Comments :

It is my reading of the bill, that the plan is classified as a "health carrier" for only this section of the code. Otherwise it would expose the health plan to other regulatory issues that do not currently apply because the plan is self-insured.

Legal Analysis :

None