

State Corporation Commission
2025 General Assembly Session
State Fiscal Impact Statement

Fiscal Analysis: The Bureau of Insurance does not currently have data or ready access to data about coverage denial rates of benefits not currently covered under the current EHB benchmark plan. BOI would have to develop, distribute, and analyze data calls to health carriers to be able to provide the coverage denial rates to the stakeholder work group. Subject matter experts within BOI determined that 3 years' worth of data would be the minimum amount necessary to validate claims denial data from carriers. Since the next stakeholder work group meets in calendar year (CY) 2029, a data call would be issued in CY2026, CY2027, and CY2028 for data to be analyzed and share with the work group membership. There is a higher cost to development, distribute, and analyze of the data call in its first year, since there is no comparable data call BOI already conducts. BOI is estimating it would take 160 hours in year 1 (\$20,450) and 120 hours in years 2 (\$15,245) and year 3 (\$15,550). The estimated hours and associated expenses are based on BOI's historical experience in conducting data calls; these expenses reflect the hourly rate of a data chief (40 hours in year 1, 0 hours in subsequent years), two data analysts (80 hours each every year), and one policy advisor (40 hours every year), along with a multiplier to capture fringe benefits and overhead costs. Since these data calls would not begin until FY2027, a 2% annual inflationary rate has been assumed and is reflected in the fiscal impact. The total fiscal impact is projected to be \$51,245.

Other: None.