Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number:HB2471Patron:RasoulBill Title:Expansion of Medicaid services for students at public schools; certain platforms, surveys, and analyses.

Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Education to enter into one or more statewide contracts with providers of a platform for Medicaid billing for reimbursable services rendered at school sites that any school board may utilize at no cost to facilitate, track, and coordinate such billing. The bill requires the Department to survey each local school division to determine which school divisions bill Medicaid for reimbursable services rendered at school sites, the types of services that are billed, and the amounts for which such services are billed and to report its findings to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Education, the Senate Committee on Education and Health, and the School Health Services Committee no later than August 1, 2025. The bill also requires the School Health Services Committee to collaborate with local school divisions and such other stakeholders as it deems necessary to identify barriers to Medicaid billing for reimbursable services rendered at school sites in each local school division, with a particular focus on local school divisions in which such Medicaid billing is unutilized or underutilized.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Indeterminate Items Impacted: None

Explanation: The cost of the required statewide contract(s) is indeterminate at this time. The Department of Education can absorb the additional work required by this bill.

Fiscal Summary: See below.

Fiscal Analysis: This bill would require the Department of Education (DOE) to survey school divisions about Medicaid billing and report on its findings to the General Assembly. DOE could absorb this work within existing staff. At this time, the cost of the required statewide contract(s) is unknown; therefore, DOE may require additional general fund support in FY26 and ongoing to support such contract(s).

This bill does not create new reimbursable services, as local school divisions already bill Medicaid for reimbursable services rendered at school sites. If a statewide platform leads to an increase in reimbursable services from school divisions, there may be an increase in Medicaid costs under the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS), however any actual impact is indeterminate.

Other: None.