



**Department of Planning and Budget**  
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**State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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services provided at a comparable rate to that which is provided to qualified mental health professional-trainees, subject to receiving proper federal authority and updating existing regulations. DMAS estimates that the provisions of this bill would allow fewer than 300 individuals with a B.S.W. to be reimbursed for services that are currently provided by qualified mental health professional-trainees. The proposal is not expected to increase the amount or cost of medical assistance services being provided by DMAS. As such, this bill is not expected to have any significant impact to agency costs. Similarly, this bill is not expected to increase the amount or cost of services provided by DBHDS such that it is expected to have a significant impact to agency costs.

**Other:** There is a technical language change needed to reflect the accurate assignment of responsibilities included in this bill. The Department of Medical Assistance Services and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services do not possess the authority to amend regulations as required by the bill; rather, it is the Board of Medical Assistance Services and the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services that oversee the regulatory process for these agencies. On line 66, strike the word “Department” before the phrase “Department of Medical Assistance Services” and replace it with the word “Board”; also on line 66, strike the word “Department” before the phrase “Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services” and replace it with the word “Board.”