

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1452

Patron: Anthony

Bill Title: Department of Medical Assistance Services; expedited review process for Medicaid service authorization requests; report.

Bill Summary: Directs the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to establish an expedited review process for Medicaid service authorization requests involving time-sensitive, life-sustaining treatment when a delay in authorization would pose a significant risk to the health and safety of an individual. Implementation of the expedited service authorization review process is conditional on the Department obtaining all necessary approvals and federal financial participation. The bill sunsets on July 1, 2027, if such approval and federal financial participation is not obtained. The bill requires the Department to report annually by November 1 on the implementation of the expedited service authorization review process.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No

Items Impacted: None.

Explanation: This bill does not require any additional funding.

Fiscal Summary: This bill does not have a fiscal impact.

Fiscal Analysis: DMAS reports that all agency processes will fully comply with the bill's provisions by July 1, 2026 as similar changes were necessary to meet federal rules. As such, no fiscal impact is expected.

Other: -