

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

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**Measure: HB 4162 - A**

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**Measure Description:**

Extends sunset on long term care facility assessment to 2026.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Department of Human Services (DHS)

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

**Analysis:**

HB 4162 takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2018 session adjourns sine die. The bill:

- Extends the Long Term Care Facility Assessment through June 30, 2026. Currently the assessment is scheduled to sunset on June 30, 2020.
- Removes the limit for penalties imposed on long term care facilities that fail to submit an assessment report or pay an assessment.
- Makes changes to the existing Medicaid reimbursement methodology language to allow DHS to adopt and implement rates applicable to patients with complex medical needs.
- Establishes the Nursing Facility Rate at the 62<sup>nd</sup> percentile of the Medicaid costs per day of all Nursing facilities.
- Requires DHS to continue paying nursing facilities and additional \$9.75 per resident who receives medical assistance if the facility is Medicaid certified, meets quality standards, and submitted an acquisition plan to purchase bed capacity. This provision is repealed on January 2, 2021.

If this bill does not pass, assessment revenue would lapse on June 30, 2020. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact for the 2017-19 biennium. However, if this bill does not pass, the Department of Human Services (DHS) projects the 2019-21 impact to be a loss of approximately \$72.4 million in assessment revenues. If this bill does not pass, DHS would need a \$72.4 General Fund backfill in order to continue serving the current caseload of Aging and People with Disabilities clients.

Removal of the limit for penalties may nominally increase revenues, but this impact cannot be predicted or quantified. Extending the incentive payments is not expected to have a fiscal impact as payments currently are being made to only one facility and are scheduled to end in August 2018. In addition, DHS anticipates a minimal direct fiscal impact resulting from continuing the reimbursement methodology at the 62<sup>nd</sup> percentile; rates are typically driven by increases in acuity or other Medicaid cost drivers.