

## 153rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

BILL: SENATE BILL NO. 120
SPONSOR: Senator Mantzavinos

DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 18, 29, AND 31 OF THE DELAWARE CODE

**RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.** 

## **Assumptions:**

1. This Act is effective upon signature by the Governor. Upon enactment, the mandates of the Act apply to all policies, contracts, or certificates issued, renewed, modified, altered, amended or reissued after December 31, 2026.

- 2. This Act requires health insurance plans provide coverage for biomarker testing for the purposes of diagnosis, treatment, appropriate management, or ongoing monitoring of a covered person's disease or condition when the test is supported by medical and scientific evidence.
- 3. The provisions of this Act would apply to the State's Medicaid program, authorized in Title 31 of the Delaware Code, and the State Employee Group Health Insurance Plan ("GHIP"), authorized in Title 29 of the Delaware Code.
- 4. The Department of Health and Social Services estimates a utilization rate of 1% of Medicaid enrollees (currently 253,000). The estimated cost assumes each affected enrollee would receive one biomarker test per year.
  - a. Per the Department of Health and Social Services, a Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) of 60.15% (39.85% State) is applied for this analysis.
- 5. The GHIP currently covers biomarker testing as clinically indicated. The estimated cost to the GHIP considers the expanded coverage as directed by the Act.
- 6. To the extent that the provisions of this Act may be interpreted to constitute an essential health benefit (EHB) on Affordable Care Act (ACA) plans, there may be additional fiscal impacts to the State. Under ACA provisions (45 CFR 155.170), any benefit mandate enacted by the State beyond what is considered an EHB is subject to State defrayal of the estimated associated costs to the ACA plans.

## Cost:

	<u>GHIP</u>	<u>Medicaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fiscal Year 2026:	0	\$850,000 - \$875,000	\$850,000 - \$875,000
Fiscal Year 2027:	\$150,000 - \$275,000	\$1,700,000 - \$1,750,000	\$1,850,000 - \$2,025,000
Fiscal Year 2028:	\$150,000 - \$275,000	\$1,700,000 - \$1,750,000	\$1,850,000 - \$2,025,000

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