There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Currently, all five self-funded health plans by the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) allow for covered physical therapy services provided via telehealth at the same reimbursement rates as physical therapy services provided in person. Also, the member cost share for telehealth visits is the same as in-person office visits. Therefore, the proposed law is not anticipated to have an impact on the expenditures within OGB.

PRIVATE INSURANCE IMPACT

Pursuant to R.S. 24:603.1, the health actuary for the LA Department of Insurance (LDI) estimates that there will be no materials costs to the private insurance industry as a result of this measure.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.