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Provides relative to Medicaid and private insurance coverage for perimenopausal and menopausal care

Proposed law provides for Medicaid coverage of hormonal care for any woman who is experiencing menopausal or perimenopausal symptoms. Proposed law defines symptoms. The department shall cover inpatient and outpatient coverage for perimenopausal or menopausal treatment when such care is used for a medically accepted indication and administered in any healthcare facility by any healthcare professional appropriately licensed in the state to provide such medical treatment. The eligibility of a prospective enrollee shall be determined by the healthcare facility providing the care.

Proposed law requires a health insurance issuer offering health coverage plans in the state to provide coverage for expenses incurred for medically necessary menopausal or perimenopausal treatment.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may impact private health plan premiums by an indeterminable amount annually; however, information provided by the LA Department of Health (LDH) and the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) indicate this measure will not impact expenditures of their respective agencies. <u>The Legislative Fiscal Office has requested additional information from the Department of Insurance relative to private industry impact, and will add to the fiscal note when received.</u>

LDH, Medicaid currently covers such services based on medical necessity. LDH reports Medicaid covers treatments (nonhormonal treatments, treatments with a prior authorization, prescription medications, preventive care, counseling, and support) for menopausal and perimenopausal <u>symptoms</u>. Medicaid does not cover experimental or investigational drugs, procedures, or equipment.

The proposed law is not anticipated to have an impact on the expenditures within the OGB. OGB reports the definition of health insurance issuer in the proposed law does not include its plans.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

