



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE  
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB 182** SLS 25RS 350

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> May 5, 2025	2:28 PM	<b>Author:</b> TALBOT
<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Health/Medicaid		
<b>Subject:</b> Medicaid Prior Authorization during Declared Emergency		<b>Analyst:</b> Anthony Shamis

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Provides relative to Medicaid prior authorization during a declared emergency. (8/1/25)

Proposed law suspends prior authorization for Medicaid during a state of emergency declared by the governor to ensure uninterrupted access to medically necessary oncology health care, including diagnostic treatments, medication, and supportive services essential for cancer treatment.

Proposed law requires Medicaid to reimburse for medically necessary oncologic drugs, services, equipment, supplies, and therapies provided to Medicaid recipients without requiring prior authorization.

Proposed law requires Medicaid to reimburse any out of state provider that provided essential oncologic care, including chemotherapy, radiation therapy, and diagnostic imaging to Louisiana Medicaid recipients who evacuated out-of-state without requiring prior authorization.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The fiscal impact associated with suspending utilization management requirements, including, but not limited to Prior Authorization (PA) for Medicaid recipients receiving medically necessary healthcare services during a declared state of emergency is indeterminable. The PA suspension shall only apply to Medicaid recipients undergoing cancer treatment within the designated emergency area.

LDH states it has the authority and routinely suspends PA during declared emergencies. Based on historical experience, the department anticipates no significant measurable impact from suspending utilization management requirements during a declared emergency.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

- ☐ 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
- ☐ 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

- ☐ 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
- ☐ 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}



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