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**HB16-1387**

**FISCAL NOTE**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

**Drafting Number:** LLS 16-1111  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Primavera

**Date:** April 8, 2016  
**Bill Status:** House Public Health Care and Human Services  
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**BILL TOPIC:** HEALTH INSURANCE FOR PROTEIN ALLERGIC CONDITIONS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Potential increase.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: Ongoing potential expenditure increase.		

**Note:** This fiscal note is provided pursuant to Joint Rule 22 (b) (2) and reflects strike-below Amendment L.002.

**Summary of Legislation**

Current law requires that health insurance plans provide coverage for medical foods for newborn children with inherited enzymatic disorders caused by single gene defects involved in the metabolism of amino, organic, and fatty acids. This bill adds coverage for severe protein allergic conditions and amino acid-based elemental formulas.

**State Expenditures**

The bill potentially increases costs to the state for state employee insurance. Given that there are many factors affecting insurance premiums, any impact to the cost of state employee health insurance is assumed to be minimal. The Children's Basic Health Plan (CHP+), administered by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, already covers amino acid-based elemental formulas for newborns with severe protein allergic conditions, so the bill does not increase costs for CHP+. The Division of Insurance in the Department of Regulatory Agencies can incorporate the changes under the bill as part of its regular rate and form review process for insurance plans.

**Local Government Impact**

Similar to the state impact listed above, the bill potentially affects costs for local governments that pay for employee health insurance. Any impact is assumed to be minimal.

## Effective Date

The bill takes effect January 1, 2018, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## State and Local Government Contacts

Counties  
Municipalities

Health Care Policy and Financing  
Personnel and Administration

Information Technology  
Regulatory Agencies