

**STATE
FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Aguilar
 Rep. McCann

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Bill Status: Senate Health and Human Services
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TITLE: CONCERNING THE EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN HOSPITALS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015
State Revenue	Minimal reduction. See State Revenue and Expenditures section.	
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: None required.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill modifies the term "hospital" for the purposes of defining which types of facilities are required to make certain financial disclosures to patients and offer to screen each uninsured patient for eligibility for financial assistance. The bill excludes psychiatric hospitals, rehabilitation hospitals, and long-term acute care hospitals from the definition of hospital.

State Revenue and Expenditures

This bill will have a minimal impact on workload under the Department of Human Services as a result of not having to provide financial information to patients at state mental health institutes. While the bill also eliminates a requirement to screen uninsured patients for eligibility for financial assistance, this analysis assumes the department will continue to do so in order to maximize its revenue.

Departments Contacted

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