

## **FISCAL NOTE**

September 28, 2020

Bill No:	SB 890	Printer's No:	1814	Sponsor:	Mensch (R)
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## COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2020-21	2021-22
	First Full Fiscal Year	
General Fund	\$5.015 million	\$4.848 million

**SUMMARY:** SB 890 provides for medical assistance benefits for workers with disabilities (MAWD) and workers with medically improved disabilities.

**ANALYSIS:** This bill changes the payment rates individuals seeking to purchase medical assistance benefits shall pay to the department.

- A worker with a disability or a worker with a medically improved disability shall pay 5
  percent of the worker's monthly income.
- A worker with job success shall pay 7.5 percent of the worker's monthly income.
- A participating worker with job success with income at or above \$75,000, adjusted for cost of living increases, shall pay the commonwealth's average cost of the program.

Individuals in the workers with job success category (WJS) shall not have assets counted in determination of eligibility if job success category eligibility is lost. Workers shall notify the department of any changes in income.

This bill also amends age requirements under the bill to conform with federal law.

The act shall take effect in 180 days.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This bill carries a fiscal impact of \$11.218 million (\$5.015 million in state funds) in FY 2020-21 and \$10.287 million (\$4.848 million in state funds) in FY 2021-22 based on a MAWD enrollment increase of 1,091 individuals due to adjusted eligibility rules and premium payment adjustments.

There would also be a short-term cost for system enhancements and adjustments.

Changes	FY 2020-21 Cost / (Savings)	FY 2021-22 Cost / (Savings)
Increased enrollment	\$11.963 million	\$12.232 million
Premium adjustments	(\$ 2.245 million)	(\$ 2.245 million)
System changes	\$ 1.500 million	\$ 0.300 million
Total	\$11.218 million	\$10.287 million
	(\$ 5.015 million in state funds)	(\$ 4.848 million in state funds)