

FISCAL NOTE

September 13, 2017

Bill No:	HB 699	Printer's No:	750	Sponsor:	Causer (R)
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COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2017-18	2018-19
General Fund – Fee-for-Service	\$ 2,260,625	\$ 2,260,625
General Fund – Medical Assistance Capitation	\$ 13,191,330	\$ 13,191,330

SUMMARY: The bill would amend the Human Services Code to increase air and ground ambulance transportation payment rates.

ANALYSIS: The bill would set in statute the following new minimum payment rates of medical assistance capitation and fee-for-service (FFS) for ambulance transportation:

- Basic life support - \$180
- Advanced life support - \$3001
- Air ambulance transport - \$3,325.53
- Ground mileage - \$2 per loaded mile
- Air mileage - \$22.45 per mile

The act would take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT: The bill would have a total fiscal impact to the commonwealth of \$15,451,955. There is no current statute that addresses the amount of fees charged by ambulance companies for services provided and payment through Medical Assistance (MA).

Cost	Amount
FFS Ground Transport Rates	\$ 1,278,745
FFS Ground Transport Mileage	\$ 1,552
FFS Air Transport Rates	\$ 834,574
FFS Air Transport Mileage	\$ 145,754
TOTAL FFS COSTS	\$ 2,260,625

Cost	Amount
Capitation Ground Transport Rates	\$ 8,433,340
Capitation Ground Transport Mileage	\$ 146,850
Capitation Air Transport Rates	\$ 3,972,557
Capitation Air Transport Mileage	\$ 638,583
TOTAL CAPITATION COSTS	\$ 13,191,330

Cost	Amount
FFS Costs	\$ 2,260,625
Capitation Costs	\$ 13,191,330
TOTAL COSTS	\$ 15,451,955