

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1693

PRINTERS NO. 3460

PRIME SPONSOR: Bonner

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2022/23	FY 2023/24
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	

SUMMARY: House Bill 1693, Printer's Number 3460, amends the Human Services Code to add a new Section 1019 Notice of Legal Representation for Medical Assistance. This legislation would be effective immediately upon enactment.

ANALYSIS: HB 1693 requires a nursing facility to provide notice, at the time of admission, to a resident advising them of their right to hire an attorney to assist with applying for Medical Assistance (MA) long-term care benefits. The purpose of the notice is to advise individuals of the services an attorney may provide to assist with protecting assets that would otherwise be used to support their long-term care prior to be eligible for MA. A nursing facility must also prominently display the notice in its admission area and the Department of Human Services must post the notice online.

FISCAL IMPACT: Requiring provision of the notice will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. However, to the extent that additional individuals qualify for MA sooner, the Commonwealth's MA costs will increase.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.