



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2127

PRINTER'S NO. 3690

PRIME SPONSOR: Fiedler

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2024/25	FY 2025/26
General Fund	\$250,000	\$250,000

SUMMARY:

This legislation allows hospitals, birthing centers, physicians, and midwives or nurse-midwives to provide patients with a fact sheet regarding postpartum depression and counseling resources.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 2127, Printer's Number 3690 allows a hospital, birth center, physician, and midwife or nurse-midwife to provide patients with the fact sheet and the resource list of organizations that provide prenatal and postpartum counseling and assistance for perinatal or postpartum mood and anxiety disorder (PMAD).

Duties of the Department of Health

- Publish the following materials on its Internet website:
 - o **Resource List:** This list shall include names, addresses, and telephone numbers of professional organizations that provide prenatal and postpartum counseling and assistance for PMAD.
 - o **Fact Sheet:** This sheet shall include common symptoms of the medical conditions of PMAD.
 - o Both the resource list and the fact sheet shall be available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Mandarin Chinese, and other language deemed appropriate by the department.
- Establish a public awareness campaign to educate the general public about the nature, causes, and health implications of PMADs. This campaign shall cover the symptoms, coping strategies, and the most effective means of treatment for PMAD.

This legislation shall take effect in 240 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

For Fiscal Year 2024/25, the Department of Health anticipates an increase of \$250,000 in administrative costs to establish and publish the resource list and the fact sheet on its internet website, and to establish a public awareness campaign to educate public about PMADs. For Fiscal Year 2025/26, to continue to maintain the materials on its internet website as required by the legislation, the department will need to maintain the increased administrative costs of \$250,000.

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