

# SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

**BILL NO.** House Bill 2268

**PRINTER'S NO.** 3289

**AMOUNT**

No Fiscal Impact

**FUND**

Insurance Regulation and Oversight Fund

**DATE INTRODUCED**

May 3, 2024

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Representative Markosek

**DESCRIPTION**

House Bill 2268 amends The Insurance Company Law of 1921 to require health insurance companies to cover speech therapy for childhood stuttering. The coverage is subject to the terms and conditions of the health insurance policy, including medical necessity, cost-sharing and utilization review.

For a health insurance policy for which either rates or forms are required to be filed with the federal government, Insurance Department or Department of Human Services, the section shall apply to any policy for which a form or rate is first filed on or after 180 days after the effective date.

For a health insurance policy for which neither rates nor forms are required to be filed with the federal government, Insurance Department or Department of Human Services, this section shall apply to any policy issued or renewed on or after 180 days after the effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

House Bill 2268 will have no fiscal impact to the Commonwealth. The Insurance Department is able to accommodate the increased administrative costs within its existing budget and staffing levels.