

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: SB083-DCCED-DOI-01-30-26
Title: TELEHEALTH: COVERAGE, REIMBURSEMENT
RATES
Sponsor: CLAMAN
Requester: (H) HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development
Appropriation: Insurance Operations
Allocation: Insurance Operations
OMB Component Number: 354

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2027 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2027 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None								
Total	0.0							

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

None								
Total	0.0							

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2026) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2027) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Updated for the SLA2026 fiscal note template.

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Agency:	Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill amends AS 21.42 by adding a new section, AS 21.42.422, so that a health care insurer shall reimburse a health care provider for health care services, including behavioral health services, provided through telehealth on the same basis or at least the same rate comparable for health care services provided in person. This bill will also require group health insurance policy or health benefit plan covering employees of a participating governmental unit or active State employees to meet the requirements of the new aforementioned section.

The Division of Insurance does not anticipate fiscal impact from this legislation.