

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation would update Title 56, Chapter 22 with a new section giving legislative approval for the Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) to submit Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State Plan Amendments (SPAs) to make available services for incarcerated youth in Medicaid and CHIP as required by Section 5121 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

The fiscal impact below is contingent upon legislative appropriation and will not be requested any earlier than for implementation in SFY 2028. While DHW is requesting policy authority this session to proceed with submittal of a State Plan Amendment to comply with federal law, even if the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid approve, the Department will not implement until appropriated funding in a future year.

FISCAL NOTE

Estimated fiscal impact would be calculated at rate for Targeted Case Management multiplied by estimated number of youth served. The initial cost estimate for the first year in which the funding is appropriated is \$311,400 in state general funds and \$634,600 in federal funds. Cost estimates for subsequent fiscal years may increase or decrease based on the number of youth served at that time.

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