



Fiscal Note

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HB 26-1070: THIRD-PARTY NETWORK AGREEMENTS FOR DENTAL SERVICES

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill requires a dental provider to give affirmative consent before an insurance carrier can allow a third party to access the dental provider's services and contractually agreed upon discounts.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Workload

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year FY 2027-28
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires a dental provider to give affirmative consent before an insurance carrier can allow a third party to access the provider's services and contractually agreed upon discounts and specifies the required contract terms. An insurance carrier cannot terminate a contract with a dental provider who refuses access to their services and discounts to a third party.

The bill does not apply to provider network contracts for dental services provided under the Children's Basic Health Plan Act and the Colorado Medical Assistance Act.

State Expenditures

This bill is expected to increase the workload in the Division of Insurance in the Department of Regulatory Agencies to address complaints from providers against insurance carriers that do not comply with the bill. This work can be accomplished with existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing

Personnel

Law

Regulatory Agencies