

# OFFICE OF FISCAL ANALYSIS

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AN ACT REQUIRING A BIENNIAL STUDY OF PAYMENT PARITY FOR SERVICES UNDER CERTAIN INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES IN THE STATE AND THE HUSKY HEALTH PROGRAM.

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## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

### ***State Impact:***

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Office of Health Strategy	GF - Cost	250,000	None

Note: GF=General Fund

***Municipal Impact:*** None

### ***Explanation***

The bill results in a biennial cost of \$250,000 to the Office of Health Strategy (OHS) to contract a consultant to complete the study. OHS is tasked with studying payment parity amongst mental health care providers, and reporting the findings to the Appropriations, Human Services, Insurance, and Public Health committees.

### ***The Out Years***

The ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future, as the bill requires OHS to complete the study every two years.