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AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR EPINEPHRINE CARTRIDGE INJECTORS.

AMENDMENT

LCO No.: 10011

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 22 \$	FY 23 \$
Various Municipalities	Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact.

There is no fiscal impact to the State resulting from the bill, which requires that epinephrine cartridge injectors be covered under certain health insurance policies at a total out of pocket cost of \$25 or less. The state employee and retiree health plans already provide coverage in accordance with the bill¹.

The bill may result in a potential cost to fully-insured municipalities, to the extent that providing coverage below the out-of-pocket threshold may increase premiums reflected in plan years beginning on and after

¹ Pursuant to federal law, self-insured plans are exempt from state health mandates. However, the state employee and retiree plan has traditionally such adopted mandates.

January 1, 2022. The cost relative to the overall premium is anticipated to be minimal.

The amendment also requires the Office of Health Strategy to annually study the impact the bill has on the cost of health insurance policies. It is anticipated that the agency can conduct this study within existing resources.

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