

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 665

PRINTER'S NO. 1470

PRIME SPONSOR: Bullock

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2022/23	FY 2023/24
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 665 Printer's Number 1470 amends the Act of July 10, 1986, known as the Women's, Infant's, and Children's Nutrition Improvement Act to require the Department of Health to allow applicants for the WIC program to submit their documentation electronically to the local WIC program agency.

ANALYSIS:

HB665 amends the Act of July 10, 1986, known as the Women's, Infant's, and Children's Nutrition Improvement Act which authorizes the use of State Funds for the WIC program to allow individuals applying for the WIC program to have the option to electronically submit documentation to the local WIC program agency prior to the applicant's eligibility appointment.

The legislation adds language that requires the Department of Health to establish security measures that protect the WIC participants' personal information and prevents that personal information from being used in the WIC program for fraudulent activity.

The legislation will take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact from HB665. The Department of Health may have a nominal increase to operating costs for the electronic submission of documentation to local WIC agencies and the security measures needed to protect personal information for WIC participants. However, any nominal increase in costs can be absorbed in the department's current appropriations.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.