

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 754

PRINTER'S NO. 703

PRIME SPONSOR: Bonner

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY:

House Bill 754, Printer's Number 703, amends Act 21 of 1967, known as the Human Services Code, to add a requirement for nursing facility operators to provide notice of legal representation to nursing facility residents applying for Medical Assistance.

ANALYSIS:

This legislation amends the Human Services Code to require long-term care nursing facility operators to provide residents of the facility, or their designated representative, notice of their option to hire an attorney to assist them with applying for Medical Assistance long-term care benefits. The facility must provide each resident with this notice at the time the resident is admitted to the facility. Each resident, or their designated representative, must acknowledge receipt of the notice by signing at the bottom.

The Department of Human Services must post a form with the required language for this notice on their publicly accessible website. Facilities may use the form developed by the department, or they can use their own form as long as the facility's form includes the notice language established in this legislation.

This legislation will take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There may be a nominal increase in operational costs for the Department of Human Services to prepare and post the required form to their website. However, the department can likely absorb any nominal increase in their current appropriations.

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