

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
FISCAL NOTE**

**BILL NO.** Senate Bill 695

**PRINTER NO.** 833

**AMOUNT**

See Fiscal Impact

**FUND**

General Fund

**DATE INTRODUCED**

May 31, 2019

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Senator Brooks

**DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL**

Senate Bill 695 amends the Human Services Code to reauthorize current assessments that sunset June 30, 2019.

Senate Bill 695 amends the Human Services Code to reauthorize the following provisions until June 30, 2022:

- Nursing Facility Assessment;
- Nursing Facility Budget Adjustment Factor;
- Intermediate Care Facilities/Intellectual Disabilities Assessment; and
- Philadelphia Hospital Assessment.

The Nursing Facility Assessment is extended for three years. This permits DHS to continue to draw down federal matching funds and maintain rates to nursing facility providers.

The Nursing Facility Budget Adjustment Factor is extended for three years. This ensures that payments to nursing facilities do not exceed the funding appropriated.

The Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with an Intellectual Disability (ICF/ID) assessment is extended for three years. This allows DHS to draw down federal matching funds and limit General Fund spending.

The Philadelphia hospital assessment is extended for three years, and free-standing cancer hospitals are excluded.

This act shall take effect immediately.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Nursing Facility Assessment revenue for the Commonwealth totals \$540 million over the next three fiscal years (2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22).

Without the extension of the Nursing Facility Budget Adjustment Factor, it is estimated that the Commonwealth would be obligated to expend an additional \$360 million in state funds for nursing facility payments.

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The Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with an Intellectual Disability Assessment revenue for the Commonwealth totals \$57 million over the next three fiscal years (2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22).

The Philadelphia hospital assessment revenue for the Commonwealth totals \$181.5 million over the next three fiscal years (2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22).