



Fiscal Note
1st Sub. H.B. 71 (Buff)

2026 General Session
 Health Provider Directory and Access
 Amendments
 by Eliason, Steve



General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$(174,800)	\$(5,000)	\$(179,800)

State Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Federal Funds	\$0	\$149,800	\$149,800
Commerce Service Account	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500
General Fund	\$0	\$(2,500)	\$(2,500)
Total Revenues	\$0	\$149,800	\$149,800

Enactment of this legislation could cost the Division of Commerce \$2,500 ongoing in FY 27 from the Commerce Service Account. Expenditures from the Commerce Service Account result in lower General Fund deposits at the end of the fiscal year. Enactment of this legislation could generate \$149,800 in ongoing Federal Funds in FY 27 due to reimbursement for Medicaid expenditures.

Expenditures	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Federal Funds	\$0	\$149,800	\$149,800
Commerce Service Account	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500
General Fund	\$0	\$172,300	\$172,300
General Fund, One-time	\$0	\$5,000	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$329,600	\$324,600

Enactment of this legislation could cost the Division of Commerce \$2,500 ongoing in FY 27 from the Commerce Service Account for enforcement of any professional misconduct. Expenditures from the Commerce Service Account result in lower General Fund deposits at the end of the fiscal year. Enactment of this legislation could also cost the Division of Insurance \$5,000 one-time and \$22,500 ongoing in FY 27, both from the General Fund for costs related to the oversight provisions included within this bill for insurers. Enactment of this legislation could also cost the Department of Health and Human Services \$299,600 ongoing in FY 27 for personnel costs with \$149,800 of these costs coming from the General Fund and the remainder being matched by federal funds.

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Net All Funds	\$0	\$(179,800)	\$(174,800)

1st Sub. H.B. 71 (Buff)

Local Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct, measurable costs for local governments.

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could increase costs to insurance companies for coverage of out-of-network care. Individuals found to be in violation of provisions of this legislation could be subject to administrative penalties. Aggregate amounts of the penalties are unknown.

Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation could result in a medium increase in the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

Performance Evaluation

JR1-4-601

This bill creates a new program or significantly expands an existing program. For a list of questions lawmakers might ask to improve accountability for the proposed program, please see: <https://budget.utah.gov/newprogram>

Notes on Notes

Fiscal explanations estimate the direct costs or revenues of enacting a bill. The Legislature uses them to balance the budget. They do not measure a bill's benefits or non-fiscal impacts like opportunity costs, wait times, or inconvenience. A fiscal explanation is not an appropriation. The Legislature decides appropriations separately.