

Legislative Analysis



MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR CERTAIN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

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House Bill 4484 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Joseph D. Fox
Committee: Health Policy
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4484 would amend the Social Welfare act to allow a speech-language pathologist licensed in Michigan to seek Medicaid reimbursement for audiological rehabilitation and speech-language therapy services, regardless of whether they have a certificate of clinical competence, and regardless of any Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) rules, regulations, or guidelines to the contrary.

Proposed MCL 400.109z

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have a negligible fiscal impact on the state Medicaid program. Both audiological rehabilitation and speech-language therapy services are currently reimbursable under Medicaid. Any increase in cost to the program would be relative to an increase in usage due to increased provider access.

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