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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Date Prepared: 2/17/2025 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: SB392 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact	No Impact

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

SB392 mandates that county and contracting hospitals provide a standard of care and an affordable payment plan for treating life-threatening conditions, including cancer or other conditions that jeopardize health or impair bodily functions. This applies when the county hospital or contracting hospital is the only provider available where the patient resides.

The patient must produce proof of 1. not having commercial insurance, 2. not qualifying for Medicare or Medicaid, 3. the patient's health insurance is not accepted by the county hospital or contracting hospital or the patient is uninsured, 4. the patient is ineligible for county indigent program, or 5. the patient is ineligible for the New Mexico medical insurance pool.

Upon the production of the documentation necessary for the hospital to validate that the above circumstances have occurred, the county hospital or contracting hospital shall continue to provide the patient with the care or services and the affordable payment plan until the effective date of any type of coverage listed above.

Total payments owed by an uninsured shall be calculated by applying the Medicaid or Medicare fee schedule in effect for the service provided, whichever is greater. Monthly payments shall not exceed 5% of a patient's monthly household adjusted gross income.

The bill is effective July, 1, 2025.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

NMPSIA has conducted a thorough analysis and determined that there will be no discernible impact. Individuals who are eligible for enrollment in our plan but elect not to participate fall outside the purview of our responsibilities. Consequently, should they be uninsured at the time of their hospitalization, their medical care and any associated outcomes remain beyond our scope of service and administrative oversight.

Given these facts, we do not anticipate any operational, financial, or administrative impact as a result of the proposed legislative changes.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

TECHNICAL ISSUES

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ALTERNATIVES

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

AMENDMENTS