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SB-191

AN ACT CONCERNING FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER PAYMENTS AND THE PROVISION OF NONEMERGENCY DENTAL SERVICES AT SUCH CENTERS.

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## **OFA Fiscal Note**

### **State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Social Services, Dept.	GF - Savings	1,000,000	1,000,000

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

### **Explanation**

The bill results in a savings of approximately \$1 million annually to the Department of Social Services (DSS) by limiting Medicaid reimbursement for non-emergency, periodic dental services at Federal Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) to those provided in one visit. The savings estimate is based on a retroactive review of FQHC dental exams that were not performed and billed on the same day as a cleaning, between January 2016 and August 2021. Related services provided at a second visit can be reimbursed if they are medically necessary, with appropriate documentation.

### **The Out Years**

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.