

HB 521 TRANSGENDER MEDICAL PROCEDURES AMENDMENTS (Peck, Nicholeen P.)

Anticipated Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact

No fiscal impact on the state health insurance plan.

HB 521 would prohibit the direct or indirect payment of public funds for certain transgender-related services. This prohibition on public funds would extend to health insurance coverage provided to public employees, including the state. Because the state does not cover transgender-related services, HB 521 would not have a financial impact on the state health insurance plan.

ANTICIPATED FISCAL IMPACT ON EDUCATION AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES – depends on coverage

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. 31A-22-605.5(2)(b) and (3) – a health insurance mandate shall apply to health coverage offered in the state risk pool, public school districts, charter schools and institutions of higher education. PEHP does not cover every public school district, charter school or institution of higher education in the state. Some public entity employees are insured through private insurance carriers. Other public entities that do provide such coverage may experience a modest cost savings from complying with the bill of approximately \$0.34 per member per month.