



**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

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<b>Description</b> Social and financial impact reports					

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

The current state definition of a mandate includes two loopholes. First the law excludes a mandates that requires plan design changes (or changes of the required cost sharing for a particular benefit, disease or service) from the definition of a mandate. Second, the law does not require social and financial impact statements for amendments that are attached to a bill. This bill closes those loopholes by expanding the definition of a mandate to include those loopholes. The bill does provide OCI the option to not to issue a report if OCI explains the reasons for not issuing a report.

Social and financial impact statements are already required under existing law. While this bill proposes to expand the state definition of a mandate requiring a social and financial impact statement, our analysis indicates that the agency can absorb any potential cost of the change and the bill will have negligible financial impact on the agency.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

None