

### Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

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LRB Number **03-3965/1**      Introduction Number **SB-372**

**Subject**  
Patient health care record HIPPA rule changes

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**

- No State Fiscal Effect
- Indeterminate
  - Increase Existing Appropriations
  - Decrease Existing Appropriations
  - Create New Appropriations
- Increase Existing Revenues
- Decrease Existing Revenues
- Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
  - Yes
  - No
- Decrease Costs

**Local:**

- No Local Government Costs
- Indeterminate
  - 1.  Increase Costs
    - Permissive
    - Mandatory
  - 2.  Decrease Costs
    - Permissive
    - Mandatory
  - 3.  Increase Revenue
    - Permissive
    - Mandatory
  - 4.  Decrease Revenue
    - Permissive
    - Mandatory
- 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
  - Towns
  - Counties
  - School Districts
  - Village
  - Others
  - WTCS Districts
  - Cities

**Fund Sources Affected**      **Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG    SEGS

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**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

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**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Under current law, patient health care records must remain confidential and may be released only with the informed consent of the patient in most circumstances. The limitation on release does not apply to certain required reports.

This bill expands the circumstances under which the limitations on confidentiality do not apply. Under this bill, health care providers would be allowed to release patient data for purposes of health care operations without the consent of the patient.

This bill may reduce the need for administrative efforts to collect permission from patients for the use of data related to health care operations projects. There will be no fiscal effect on the Department as a result of this bill.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**