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BOLTC Helpline Transfer (Insurance)

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CURRENT LAW

The Board on Aging and Long-Term Care (BOALTC) Helpline provides free one-on-one insurance counseling services to state residents over the age of 60. The Helpline is supported with federal state health insurance assistance program funds and state insurance fee revenue budgeted as part of OCI's general program operations appropriation and transferred to BOALTC.

GOVERNOR

Reduce funding by \$21,100 PR annually to reflect a reestimate of the amount of insurance fee revenue that will be needed to fund telephone counseling services provided by BOALTC for individuals seeking information on Medicare supplemental insurance policies ("Medigap" policies), Medicare Part D policies (policies that cover prescription drugs), and SeniorCare.

MODIFICATION

Increase funding in the bill by \$13,000 PR in 2015-16 and \$13,500 PR in 2016-17 for OCI to transfer to BOALTC for the operations of the Helpline.

Explanation: In calculating the amount of the transfer to BOALTC, the lease costs attributable to Helpline activities was inadvertently excluded from the calculation. This modification would provide funding to reflect those costs. The net fiscal effect of the bill, with this modification, would be reductions of \$8,100 PR in 2015-16 and \$7,600 PR in 2016-17.

Change to Bill	
PR	\$26,500

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