

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Senfronia Thompson, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB800** by Howard (Relating to covered benefits under the child health plan.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated in the 2020-21 biennium. Savings may increase and become significant in future years.**

The bill would add prescription contraceptive drugs and devices as covered benefits in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), with certain limitations. It is assumed any costs associated with providing the additional CHIP benefit would be more than offset by Medicaid and CHIP savings associated with averted births. Savings would not be expected to be significant in the 2020-21 biennium but could become significant in fiscal year 2022 and beyond.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 529 Health and Human Services Commission

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