

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 2417
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Impact:	OMES: Anticipated negative impact of \$1.9 million in the first year.

Research Analysis

HB2417, as introduced, creates the Oklahoma Right to Shop Act. The measure establishes requirements for individual and small group insurance carriers beginning in 2020 upon approval of next health insurance rate filing. These carriers must create program in which enrollees are incentivized to shop for lower-cost providers. The measure also includes list of potential incentives such as cash payments or premium reductions. The measure requires that prior to offering such program, the program must be filed with the Insurance Commissioner. Further, the measure directs insurance carriers to create an interactive mechanism on their websites for comparison of health care services. Carriers may contract with third-party vendors to fulfill requirements of this act. Carriers may be exempt from act if request is submitted to the Insurance Commissioner.

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Fiscal Analysis

After analysis of the measure as currently written, per OMES and the AON Employees Group Insurance Division will have an anticipated negative fiscal impact of \$1.9 million in the first year. Based on AON's calculations, the impact beyond one year would likely include additional cost increases. Those costs would be contingent on the network's ability to continue to negotiate contracts for members as a group instead of individuals. OMES/AON notes that while there could be potential cost savings if members begin to migrate to lower cost place of services (for example, outpatient surgery center vs. inpatient hospital); those would be offset by the impact to the HealthChoice network.

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Other Considerations

None.