

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 57th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 888
Version:	CS
Request Number:	8769
Author:	Rep. Bush
Date:	4/23/2019
Impact:	DHS: Negative Fiscal Impact to State revenues: \$450,000 to be matched by \$450,000 Title XIX dollars to cover the cost of 14 FTEs.

Research Analysis

The CS for SB 888 defines the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) as a full risk-bearing program that provides comprehensive health services for individuals 55 years of age and older who are deemed nursing-home eligible by the Medicaid program. PACE will be reimbursed on a fixed per-member, per-month rate and will provide all health services, including transportation. The bill also requires that:

- persons 55 years of age and older, or their representative, receive options counseling prior to admission to a nursing facility, unless it is an emergency admission, in which case the options counseling must be provided within 14 days of admission;
- persons who live within the defined service area of a PACE receive information about the program as a part of the options counseling; and
- current nursing facility residents, or their representatives, be given the opportunity to receive options counseling.

Finally, the measure establishes a task force to review the current long-term service and supports assessment and evaluation process to determine if improvements are needed.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure provides that persons who are 55 years of age or older or their legal guardians or lay caregivers shall receive options counseling for long term care, as defined in 56 O.S. 3002.7, prior to admission to a long term care facility, except in emergency cases. Options counseling shall include, but not be limited to Program of All-inclusive Care of the Elderly (PACE), nursing facilities and home and community-based services. Any person currently residing in a nursing facility shall receive options counseling at the time of revaluation or renewal of long-term care.

Per the Oklahoma Department of Human Services and pursuant to 56 O.S. Section 3002.7(B), the *Options Counseling for Long-term Care Program* was created within DHS Aging Services and is administered by DHS. To provide options counseling, DHS will require the employment of 13 full-time persons in the field and one full-time person at the DHS State Office.

A task force, comprised of 14 members, shall be established and meet monthly to review Long Term Service and Supports (LTSS) assessment and evaluation to determine the necessity of an improved assessment methodology.

Summary:

806,000 13 Ombudsman Supervisors

90,000 1 Program Field Rep in STO

3,000 Toll Free Number

1,000 Contingency

900,000	Total Fiscal Impact
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450,000	State dollars
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450,000	Title XIX dollars
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Other Considerations

None.