

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 779 modifies the requirements for the admissibility of testimony relating to medical expenses in civil cases related to personal injury. The measure removes the procedure to withhold medical costs from a jury and allows Medicaid or private insurance reimbursement rates to be used when calculating the costs for a procedure if no payment was made to a provider. Current law only allows Medicare costs to be admitted. The measure also allows medical providers to submit a lien in the case for an amount in excess of the Medicaid rate. If Medicare or Medicaid regulations or provisions of the applicable private health insurance do not allow the provider to seek recovery from the patient above the reimbursement rate, the lien shall not be admissible.

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Fiscal Analysis

FY'20 Impact: None

Full Year Impact: None

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