

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	SB96
Version:	ENGR
Request Number:	
Author:	Rep. McEntire and Sen. Hall
Date:	3/30/2021
Impact:	No impact to the state

Research Analysis

SB 96 authorizes patients to access information pertaining to their medical bills from doctors, hospitals, or other medical institutions. The measure also increases the base fee charged to attorneys and insurance companies by way of subpoena for medical records or medical bills from \$10.00 to \$20.00. The measure requires the base fee to be charged regardless of whether any records related to the request are located. A fee of \$15.00 will be charged for a request for certification or an affidavit by the provider regarding the authenticity of medical records or bills.

The measure also increases the fee from \$5.00 to \$15.00 for the cost of each printed x-ray, photograph or image request. Images provided on electronic media such as a CD/DVD are subject to a fee of \$20.00 per CD/DVD or another electronic format.

Requests for medical records made by the Disability Determination Division of the State Department of Rehabilitation Services are exempt from the fees in this provision. The fee for such requests will be at a rate allowed by the Social Security Administration.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 96 authorizes a patient to access information pertaining to his or her medical bills. The measure also increases the fee charged to **attorneys, insurance companies, and records accessed via subpoena** from \$10.00 to \$20.00. The base fee for each printed x-ray or other photograph fee is also increased from \$5.00 to \$15.00. Images provided in an electronic format are subject to a fee of \$20.00 per CD/DVD or other electronic media. Additionally, the measure requires the base fee to be charged regardless of whether any records related to the request are located. An additional \$15.00 fee is created by the measure for requests to provide a certification or an affidavit by the provider regarding the authenticity of the medical records or bills. These increased fees will not be allowed for medical records made by the Disability Determination Division of the State Department of Rehabilitation Services. The fee for such requests shall be at a rate allowed by the Social Security Administration.

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Other Considerations

None.

