BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.: HB1321
Version: PCS1
Request Number: 7920
Author: McCall
Date: 3/2/2023
Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The PCS1 to HB 1321 creates the Rural Emergency Room Access to Care and Facilities Improvements Act. The measure creates "Rural Emergency Room Access to Care and Facilities Improvements Revolving Fund" within the State Treasury for the State Department of Health to be expended by the Department of Health to provide grants to qualifying facilities.

- Qualifying hospitals with a staffing of qualified emergency room physicians during at least 50% of the facility's operating hours can qualify for an annual grant of up to \$1,000,000.
- Qualifying hospitals with a staffing of qualified emergency room physicians during less than 50% of the facility's operating hours can qualify for an annual grant of up to \$500,000.

No grant is to be awarded that would exceed the available, unencumbered balance of the Fund.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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