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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Ortiz y Pino **ORIGINAL DATE** 3/11/19 **LAST UPDATED** _____ **HB** _____
SHORT TITLE Study Mandatory Assignment of Benefits **SM** 55/aSRC
ANALYST Martinez

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY19	FY20		
	NFI		

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

Synopsis of SRC Amendment

The Senate Rules Committee Amendment to Senate Memorial 55 removes the participation of Health Action New Mexico from the Health Insurance Benefits Task Force and replaces it with the New Mexico Dental Association.

Synopsis of Original Bill

Senate Memorial 55 requests the Superintendent of Insurance convene a mandatory assignment of health insurance benefits task force. The membership shall consist of experts in the areas of healthcare delivery, health coverage, and healthcare finance, including representatives from

1. New Mexico Hospital Association
2. New Mexico Association of Commerce and Industry
3. New Mexico Medical Society
4. New Mexico Osteopathic Medical Association
5. New Mexico Nurses Association
6. Health Action New Mexico
7. New Mexico Primary Care Association

The task force will study the likely impact on healthcare providers, healthcare institutions, patients, and health care insurers of enacting a law that requires health care insurers to honor properly executed assignment of benefits forms.

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Senate Memorial 55 requests the Superintendent of Insurance report results of the health insurance benefits task force study to the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee by November 1, 2019.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Senate Memorial 55 does not contain an appropriation.

Senate Memorial 55 will require current staff at OSI to take on additional duties to coordinate and convene the Health Insurance Benefits Task Force and ensure that the task force report the results to the Health and Human Services committee by November 1, 2019.

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