COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
STATE FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT

GENERAL ASSEMBLY
2009 REGULAR SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
2008-2010 INTERIM

MEASURE

(x) 2009 BR No. 0236 (x) House Bill No. 67

( ) Resolution No. ( ) Amendment No. 

SUBJECT/TITLE An Act relating to health facility-acquired infections.

SPONSOR Rep. Henley

NOTE SUMMARY

Fiscal Analysis: X Impact ____ No Impact ____ Indeterminable Impact

Level(s) of Impact: X State ____ Local ____ Federal

Budget Unit(s) Impact Dept for Public Health and Dept for MH-MR

Fund(s) Impact: X General ____ Road ____ Federal

Restricted Agency (Type) (Other)

FISCAL SUMMARY

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MEASURE'S PURPOSE: Require health care facilities to implement infection prevention programs in high risk areas and throughout the facility through culture test upon the discharge or transfer.

PROVISION/MECANICS: The Department for Public Health would require two additional epidemiologists to interpret and analyze the complex data reports from facilities. The facilities of the Dept. for MH/MR would have to implement procedures and testing to identify patients in behavioral health facilities upon admission and discharge. This would require nasal swab/cultures on all admissions and discharges which are only done now when medically required.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: Personnel cost for Public Health would increase by $300,000 for salary, fringe and operating for the two additional employees. The Dept for MH/MR estimates 10,000 admissions and 10,000 discharges in the next fiscal year, for a total of 20,000 tests. The cost for each test would be between $50 and $100. The total expenditure in that department for tests would be between $1,000,000 and $2,000,000 each fiscal year.
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