

FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 136-FN, establishing an uncompensated care assessment, fund, and committee within the department of insurance.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Suzanne Prentiss for the committee.

This bill establishes an uncompensated health care fund to be administered by the Department of Insurance and assessed by a surcharge on commercial insurers, reinsurers, and trusts overseeing self-insured plans. A proposed change clarifying the bill's intent to target uncompensated care in mental health care has been considered, and the Committee believes it would be best to revisit this effort in the future and work with stakeholders in the meantime to ensure this bill is ready to go.