

SB 1206 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

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Meeting Dates: 4/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services shall study funding methods to improve the access to health care. Requires the report be submitted to the interim committees related to health care by September 15, 2026. Allows the report to include legislative recommendations. Repeals this provision on January 2, 2027.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Medical provider assessments were first enacted by the 2003 Legislature. In 2024 the Legislature extended the long term care assessment through June 30, 2032. With HB 2010 in the 2025 session, the Legislature extended the assessments on health insurance plan premiums or premium equivalents and on net patient hospital revenue through December 31, 2032. During the debate on HB 2010 in the Senate Committee on Finance & Revenue, other funding policy options were discussed. This bill enables the continuation of that policy discussion.