

SB 50 (2026) ANESTHESIA DOSAGE AMENDMENTS (Plumb, Jen)

Anticipated Fiscal Impact: none

This bill requires health plans to pay for medically necessary anesthesia services and to not deny reimbursement solely on a preset time limit. As written, we do not see this bill changing any of PEHP's current practices in the administering the state health insurance plan. Under the bill, PEHP may still deny payment if medical necessity is lacking or for any other basis other than a preset time limit—a practice that PEHP does not engage in. As such, we would not expect a fiscal impact to the state health insurance plan from this bill.