

HB 174 (Sanpei, D) Anticipated Fiscal Impact:

No fiscal impact for the 7/2015-6/2016 State risk pool plan year.

HB 174 removes the ability for certain health plans to exclude athletic trainers as a class from their panels while permitting health plans to contract in accordance with regular network needs. PEHP's current network practices are consistent with HB 174. PEHP contracts directly with athletic trainers to provide physical and rehabilitative therapy services. However, contract opportunities are limited for both athletic trainers and physical therapists because the majority of PEHP's provider network needs for physical and rehabilitative therapy services are met. Consequently, we do not anticipate increased costs to the State Health Insurance Risk Pool as result of HB 174.