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Honorable Michelle Au  
State Representative  
611G Coverdell Legislative Office Building  
Atlanta, GA 30334

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note  
House Bill (LC 52 0164)

Dear Representative Au:

This bill would establish the “Continuing Insulin Safety Net Act,” requiring insulin manufacturers to establish a patient assistance program for eligible individuals to receive up to two, 90-day supplies of insulin each year. Individuals would apply to the manufacturers for eligibility determinations, and insulin for eligible individuals would be provided by manufacturers at no cost to a local pharmacy. Pharmacies could charge up to \$50 for processing and dispensing, with no additional charge for the insulin.

In coordination with insulin manufacturers, the Department of Community Health (DCH) would be responsible for developing an information sheet and two (2) satisfaction surveys, posting the materials to the agency website. Additionally, a panel of up to three (3) DCH employees would review appeals for individuals that disagree with a manufacturer’s ineligibility determination. Lastly, DCH would submit annual reports on the effectiveness of program implementation to the General Assembly and assess administrative penalties on noncompliant manufacturers.

DCH would require a full-time employee to help with the creation of forms and surveys, as well as general support to administer this new benefit program for the uninsured. Estimated costs incurred by the bill are reflected in Table 1 below.

**Table 1. Estimated DCH Costs**

	Positions Needed	Salary	Total Cost
Program Analyst	1	\$50,789	\$84,818

Respectfully,

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Richard Dunn, Director  
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