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## ADDENDUM

To Fiscal Note on  
SB-342, File No. 223

### AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH COVERAGE.

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The fiscal note on the underlying bill recognizes a potential annual cost to the state employee and state partnership plans (SPP) resulting from the prohibition of health carriers using software tools to automatically downcode or deny a health insurance claim without being reviewed by a clinical peer.

Based on additional information, the annualized fiscal impact may be up to approximately \$34.1 million to the state, and \$16.7 million to municipalities on the SPP associated with a 1.8% increase in plan premiums based on current enrollment. This estimate is reflective of the impacts of inappropriate coding, duplicative work, clinical appropriateness, and deterrents of other items ensuring accurate claims payment. It does not include any cost-sharing or offsets related to revisions by carriers to claims coding within the scope of the bill.