LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: January 27, 2015

Agency Submitting: Clark County

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
Reduction in uncompensated costs from transferred patients (Expense)		(\$1,748,000)	(\$1,867,000)	(\$4,124,000)
Total	0	(\$1,748,000)	(\$1,867,000)	(\$4,124,000)

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

Positive Fiscal impact: (savings)

During FY2014, University Medical Center's Emergency Department received more than 1,200 patients transferred from other hospital emergency departments to receive care not provided at the sending facility. Approximately 825 of these patients were transferred to UMC from local area hospitals in Clark County and of these 611 patients transferred were to receive services typically provided in any acute care hospital's emergency room. With the passage of this bill, transfers for these services (cardiology; gastroenterology; general surgery; neurosurgery; ophthalmology; oral and maxillofacial surgery; otolaryngology; and urology) would not take place unless the hospital has entered into an agreement with another hospital to provide these services.

The estimated uncompensated cost to UMC of providing these specific services in FY2014 to the 611 patients transferred from local area hospitals was \$1,637,105.

Assumed medical inflation rate of 6.8% in following years.

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