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S.73 An act relating to licensure of ambulatory surgical centers

As passed by the General Assembly (Act No. 55)

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/bill/status/2020/S.73>

S.73 proposes to establish a licensing structure for ambulatory surgical centers (ASC's). It also requires ASC's to pay an annual licensing fee of \$600.00 which can be used by the Department of Health to offset administrative costs associated with licensing ASC's.

To date, there is only one ambulatory surgical center operating in Vermont and another one anticipated to open sometime within the next year.

This fee is estimated to raise between \$600.00 and \$1,200.00 annually depending on when the second surgical center opens.

Update: The bill as amended by the House Committees on Health Care and Ways & Means made no changes to the fees and therefore the fiscal impact remained the same.

Link to S.73 as passed by the Senate

https://ljfo.vermont.gov/assets/Publications/Senate-Bills/b83be04f7d/S_73_Ambulatory_Surgical_Centers-v3.pdf