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Deputy Colm Burke

Dáil Éireann

Leinster House

Dublin 2.

PQ 14704/22 - To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of removing adult inpatient and outpatient charges; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Burke,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

Please find below a breakdown of Actual 2020 and Budgeted 2021 HSE income from Hospital Charges for adult inpatient and outpatient entities provided by HSE Finance. The table below includes in-patient and out-patient charges for all hospitals excluding CHI. I am advised the estimated cost to abolish all adult in-patient and outpatient statutory charges would equate to €47m.

Income from Hospital Charges €m		udget 2021
Statutory In-Patient Charges	26.30	30.02
Statutory Out-Patient Charges	15.81	17.22
	42.11	47.24

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Carol Ivory

General Manager,

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