

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

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Committees, Councils  
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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

**ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Division of Professional Registration, Office of Administration - Administrative Hearing Commission** and **Department of Revenue** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **Office of Secretary of State (SOS)** state the proposal modifies provisions regarding the licensing of podiatrists. This proposal will result in Professional Registration promulgating rules to implement the proposal. These rules will be published in the Missouri Register and the Code of State Regulations. Based on experience with other divisions, the rules, regulations and forms issued by Professional Registration could require as many as 6 pages in the Code of State Regulations. For any given rule, roughly one-half again as many pages are published in the Missouri Register as are published in the Code because of cost statements, fiscal notes and notices that are not published in the Code. The estimated cost of a page in the Missouri Register is \$23. The estimated cost of a page in the Code of State Regulations is \$27. The actual cost could be more or less than the numbers given. The impact of this legislation in future years is unknown and depends upon the frequency and length of rules, filed, amended, rescinded, and withdrawn. The SOS estimates the cost of the proposal to be \$369 [(6 pgs. X \$27) + (9 pgs. X \$23)] for FY 06.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

**Oversight** assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal could have a minimal fiscal impact on small business podiatric organizations.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal modifies provisions regarding the licensing of podiatrists. References to podiatry are changed to podiatric medicine. The proposal changes references to the registration of podiatrists to the licensure of podiatrists. The required examination for licensure shall be an exam offered by the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners as well as an exam on applicable Missouri law and regulations. The proposal deletes the requirement that the license contain the residence address of the individual. The proposal authorizes the board to require an additional fee for duplicate licenses if the person maintains more than one office.

Persons serving an internship/residency in a Missouri hospital may obtain a license from the board for a two-year period, instead of the current law which authorizes a one-year license with a one-year renewal. The proposal modifies provisions to require biennial license renewal, rather than annual license renewal. A retired podiatrist will be required to submit evidence of obtaining sufficient continuing education in order to reactivate the person's license. Each board member will receive \$70, rather than the current \$50, for each day devoted to board activities.

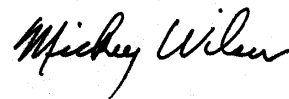
DESCRIPTION (continued)

The proposal provides that if the board revokes the license of a podiatrist, the board may prohibit the person from reapplying for a period of time ranging from two to seven years. Before restoring any license which has been revoked or inactive for any reason, the board can require the person to obtain continuing medical education courses and pass specified examinations.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Administration -  
    Administrative Hearing Commission  
Department of Economic Development -  
    Division of Professional Registration  
Department of Revenue  
Office of Secretary of State



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