COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill No.: SCS for SB 998

Subject: Boards, Commissions, Committees, Councils; Hospitals; Nurses; Licensees -

Professional; Physicians

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<u>Date</u>: April 20, 2006

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Board of Registration for the Healing Arts	(\$59,093)	(\$112,577)	(\$115,409)	
Other PR	\$2,332	\$2,882	\$2,968	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	(\$56,761)	(\$109,695)	(\$112,441)	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** state there is no known fiscal impact to the DOH as a result of this proposal. In addition, there are no costs associated with the required reporting as reporting requirements and processes are yet to be determined. There may, however, be an unknown impact of reporting on existing collaborative practice arrangements. It is unknown whether the new reporting requirements and the ability of respective boards to suspend licenses of participating health professionals due to collaborative arrangements would deter these arrangements.

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Division of Professional Registration (DED-PR)** state the proposal will require 1.0 FTE Healthcare Professional (\$72,000) to perform the initial review of all collaborative practice agreements to make sure the agreements are in compliance with statutes and rules. The healthcare professional will need to have some medical knowledge. Once collaborative agreements are reviewed, those with discrepancies will be forwarded on to the investigative division within DED. It is assumed the investigative division will be able to absorb the duties associated with any referred agreements.

Oversight notes the inclusion of rent expense in the total costs to be incurred by the Board of Registration for the Healing Arts will result in a lower allocation of this expense to other licensing boards. As a result, **Oversight** has shown a savings to Other Profession Registration (PR) Funds in an amount equal to the rent expense to the Board of Registration for the Healing Arts.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2007 (6 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR THE HEALING ARTS FUND	, ,		
Costs - Department of Economic Development			
Personal service (1.0 FTE)	(\$36,000)	(\$75,645)	(\$77,536)
Fringe benefits	(\$15,862)	(\$33,329)	(\$34,162)
Equipment and expenses	(\$4,899)	(\$721)	(\$743)
Rent expense	<u>(\$2,332)</u>	<u>(\$2,882)</u>	<u>(\$2,968)</u>
	(\$59,093)	<u>(\$112,577)</u>	<u>(\$115,409)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR			
THE HEALING ARTS FUND	<u>(\$59,093)</u>	<u>(\$112,577)</u>	<u>(\$115,409)</u>
OTHER PR FUNDS			
Savings - Department of Economic Development			
Reduction in allocated rent expense	<u>\$2,332</u>	<u>\$2,882</u>	<u>\$2,968</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
OTHER PR FUNDS	<u>\$2,332</u>	<u>\$2,882</u>	<u>\$2,968</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2007 (6 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

The proposal may have an administrative impact on physicians who enter into collaborative practice agreements.

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DESCRIPTION

Within thirty days of any change and on each renewal of a collaborative practice arrangement, the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts shall require physicians to identify whether a physician is engaged in any collaborative practice agreement or physician assistance agreement and also report to the board the name of each licensed professional with whom the physician has entered into such agreement. The board may make the information available to the public. The physician shall also provide the board with a copy of each such agreement for the board to review for compliance with state law.

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

SOURCES OF INFORMATION3

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