

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

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Subject: Boards, Commissions, Committees, Councils; Health Care; Health Care
Professionals; Professional Licenses
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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
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

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 Economic Development – Division of Professional Registration** state having reviewed the proposed legislation and having sought the conclusion of the appropriate board(s), they are of the opinion the proposal, in its present form, has no fiscal impact on their organization.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assume many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year’s legislative session. The fiscal impact for this proposal for Administrative Rules is less than \$1,500. The SOS recognizes this is a small amount and does not expect additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the SOS can sustain with their core budget. Any additional required funding would be handled through the budget process.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

Under the proposal, if an applicant for licensure as a physical therapist assistant is licensed and has maintained an active clinical practice for the previous three years, passed a licensing exam, and has not been disciplined in another state, the District of Columbia or Canada, the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts may issue a license even if the applicant has failed a licensing exam three or more times.

The proposal transfers certain duties from the Division of Professional Registration to the Committee for Professional Counselors for the purposes of licensing professional counselors.

The proposal changes the criteria for allowing reciprocity for out of state license holders. Out of state licensees holding a valid license may be granted a license in Missouri without examination upon certification by the applicant's current licensing entity that the applicant holds a current license and has had no disciplinary action taken for five years, or that the applicant is registered with the American Association of State Counseling Boards.

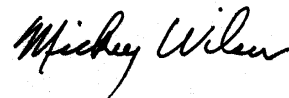
DESCRIPTION (continued)

Currently, out of state licensed clinical social workers who have had no violations, suspensions or revocations may be licensed in Missouri if they have passed a written exam and either are licensed in another state, received a masters or doctoral degree from a program accredited by the council of social work education, have been licensed for five years, have not been the subject of disciplinary action, or are currently licensed in a state that has similar reciprocity laws. This proposal changes those requirements to allow out of state license holders who have not been the subject of disciplinary action for five years to be licensed if the applicant received a masters or doctoral degree from a program accredited by the council of social work education and has been licensed for five years, or is currently licensed in a state with substantially similar requirements.

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

Department of Economic Development
– Division of Professional Registration
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