COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH **OVERSIGHT DIVISION**

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0690S.02C Bill No.: SCS for SB 70

Professional Registration and Licensing; Compacts; Mental Health Subject:

Type: Original

February 10, 2023 Date:

Bill Summary: This proposal adopts the counseling Interstate Compact for Professional

Counselors.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on General				
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026		
Committee of					
Professional					
Counselors Fund	\$0 or	\$0 or	\$0 or		
(0672)	(\$3,000 - \$6,000)	(\$3,000 - \$6,000)	(\$3,000 - \$6,000)		
Total Estimated Net					
Effect on Other State	\$0 or	\$0 or	\$0 or		
Funds	(\$3,000 - \$6,000)	(\$3,000 - \$6,000)	(\$3,000 - \$6,000)		

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026		
Total Estimated Net					
Effect on All Federal					
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0		

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026		
Total Estimated Net					
Effect on FTE	0	0	0		

☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in a	ıny
of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.	

☐ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of
the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED FY 2024 FY 2025					
Local Government \$0 \$0					

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Oversight assumes this legislation enacts the Counseling Interstate Compact.

Officials from the **Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI)** state it is uncertain if the compact would be enacted in FY24, FY25 or FY26. Once the compact is enacted the Division would have the following fiscal impact: \$3,000 to \$6,000 estimated annual fees to participate in the compact.

Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect the estimated fiscal impact as a range of \$0 (the compact is not enacted) to \$3,000 - \$6,000 (the compact is enacted) to the Committee of Professional Counselors Fund (0672).

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume this proposal is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact beyond its current appropriation.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** noted 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 fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$5,000. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain with its core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
	(10 Mo.)		
COMMITTEE OF			
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS			
FUND (0672)			
Cost – DCI	\$0 or (\$3,000-	\$0 or (\$3,000-	\$0 or (\$3,000-
Counseling Interstate Compact fees	\$6,000)	\$6,000)	\$6,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO			
THE COMMITTEE OF			
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000-</u>	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000-</u>	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000-</u>
FUND (0672)	<u>\$6,000)</u>	<u>\$6,000)</u>	<u>\$6,000)</u>

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FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
	(10 Mo.)		
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

Licensed Professional Counselors could have a direct fiscal impact as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This proposal establishes the counseling interstate compact.

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 Commerce and Insurance Office of the Secretary of State Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

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