# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4268S.03P

Bill No.: Perfected SS for SB 1111

Subject: Children and Minors; Department of Health and Senior Services; Health Care;

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; Disabilities; Nurses; Health

Care; Health Care Professionals; Disabilities

Type: Original

Date: March 28, 2024

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to the regulation of child care.

## **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
General Revenue	(\$67,800)	\$56,177	\$55,049	
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>				
<b>Effect on General</b>				
Revenue	(\$67,800)	\$56,177	\$55,049	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>				
Effect on Other 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 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
Federal*	\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>				
Effect on All Federal				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

<sup>\*</sup>Income, savings and expenses are estimated at \$233,000 annually beginning in FY 2026 and net to \$0.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	
General Revenue	0.5	0.5	0.5	
Federal Funds	0.5	0.5	0.5	
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>				
Effect on FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	

☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced 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 (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 2025 FY 2026 FY						
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)			

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## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **ASSUMPTION**

§§192.2550 - 192.2560 - Creates a prescribed pediatric extended care facility license

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)** state service providers in the Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care (PPEC) model would be required to hold licensure as a Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care facility from the DHSS and be required to meet inspection standards set forth by the Division of Regulation and Licensure (DRL). The proposed legislation establishes the licensing and regulation of Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Facilities beginning August 28, 2025. Section 192.2554 subsection 1 of the proposed legislation tasks the DHSS with licensing and inspecting Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Facilities, along with promulgation of rules and regulations to establish standards of service and care.

The Department's Division of Regulation and Licensure will need one FTE Registered Nurse (annual salary of \$75,000) to carry out the provisions outlined in the proposed legislation. This is assumed to be a remote position. The costs for equipment expense, salary, and fringe is estimated to start in FY 2025 to the effective date of the program to establish and promulgate rules.

In addition, the provisions in the proposed legislation will require the Department, in consultation with the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD), to create a website and publish educational materials; an online license application system with a click-to-pay feature; and a database or system to track licensed facilities, inspection dates, inspection records, complaints, and investigations. The total estimated cost is \$90,720. These ITSD costs will be needed in FY 2025 to be operational by program start date.

Section 192.2550, upon submission of a State Plan Amendment by the Department of Social Services (DSS) and approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) the Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Facility (PPEC) model would be created as a new home and community-based service under Missouri's Medicaid program which the Division of Senior and Disability Services (DSDS) would administer. Currently, services such as private duty nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy are delivered to individual medically complex children typically in the participant's home. Adoption of the PPEC model would provide children with medical complexities the opportunity to thrive socially, emotionally, and medically by receiving coordinated care through an inclusive daycare setting, as opposed to receiving one-on-one nursing in the home. It would also enable parents and caregivers to work or attend school without the challenges of scheduling through a provider agency while also alleviating some of the critical shortage of nurses to provide Private Duty Nursing (PDN) services, as nurses will be able to serve multiple children simultaneously. The average cost of PDN and therapy services for this population in FY 2023 was \$447 per day. The per diem for the

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PPEC model is estimated to be less than \$400 per day. The same FMAP split would be applicable to both current practices and the PPEC model. For fiscal note purposes, the Division of Senior and Disability Services assumes that 36 participants would be served by PPEC facilities statewide for an estimated 261 days per year (Monday through Friday, most weeks) with an 80 percent attendance rate. Under the existing service structure, the cost per year for 36 children in FY 2023 was approximately \$3,360,010 (36 participants \* 261 days \* 80 percent \* \$447 per day). Under the PPEC model, if chosen by the participant, the cost for 261 days would be an estimated \$3,006,720 (36 participants \* 261 days \* 80 percent \* \$400 per day). This would result in an **estimated total cost savings of \$353,290** (36 participants \* 261 days \* 80 percent \* \$47 difference per day) **(\$120,101 GR**; \$233,189 Federal). The savings would not be recognized in State Fiscal Year 2025, and would begin with State Fiscal Year 2026.

DSDS would be required to develop criteria, regulations, and policies for PPEC services providers for staffing, quality, qualification, and training standards. DSDS anticipates being able to absorb these costs; however, until the Fiscal Year 2025 budget is final cannot identify specific funding sources.

Section 192.2552, service providers in the PPEC model would be required to hold licensure as a Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care facility from the Department of Health and Senior Services and be required to meet inspection standards set forth by the Division of Regulation and Licensure. Section 192.2556, service providers in the PPEC model would be required to have an active, nonsuspended license to operate a childcare facility issued by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

DHSS is unable to determine the exact cost of the proposal due to the following unknown factors:

- if CMS would approve state plan amendments to add prescribed pediatric extended care as a home and community-based service;
- the number of participants who would opt for prescribed pediatric extended care;
- the amount of units of prescribed pediatric extended care each participant would use;
- the number of providers who would participate as prescribed pediatric extended care agencies

**Oversight** does not have information to the contrary. Oversight notes that, in response to a previous version, DHSS stated that all program costs were expected to begin in FY 2026. DHSS has since determined that FTE and ITSD costs will be incurred in FY 2025 in preparation for implementation by the program start date. Therefore, Oversight will reflect the estimates as provided by the DHSS.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** stated there may be some impact but there is no way to quantify that currently. Any significant changes will be reflected in future budget requests.

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In response to similar legislation from the current session (HB 1975), officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assumed any additional litigation costs arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing personnel and resources. However, the AGO may seek additional appropriations if there is a significant increase in litigation.

**Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight assumes the AGO will be able to perform any additional duties required by this proposal with current staff and resources and will reflect no fiscal impact to the AGO for fiscal note purposes.

§§210.201, 210.211, 210.252 and 210.275 - Childcare provider licensing requirements for certain providers

**Oversight** notes, in response to similar legislation from the current session (SCS for SB 899), officials from **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** responded that the provisions in these sections would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note.

Oversight notes under current law, any program licensed as a childcare provider that provides childcare to school-age children located and operated on elementary or secondary school property shall be deemed in compliance with child care licensure requirements relating to safety, health, and fire. This proposal expands this provision to apply to all licensed programs providing childcare to only school-age children, regardless of where such program is located and operated. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero (program is compliant) to an unknown (costs to meet licensure requirements) in the fiscal note.

Responses regarding the underlying legislation as a whole

Officials from the **Missouri Office of Prosecution Services** and the **Kansas City Police Department** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

Responses regarding the proposed legislation as a whole as amended

Officials from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Public Safety – Division of Fire Safety and Missouri Highway Patrol, the Department of Social Services, the Office of Administration – Administrative Hearing Commission, the Phelps County Sheriff's Department, the Branson Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies

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**Oversight** only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other sheriffs' departments and police departments were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A listing of political subdivisions included in the Missouri Legislative Information System (MOLIS) database is available upon request.

## **Rule Promulgation**

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

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** note 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.

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FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2025 (10 Mo.)	FY 2026	FY 2027
GENERAL REVENUE			
Savings – DHSS (§192.2550) Cost avoidance due to PPEC State Plan Amendment p. 3-4	\$0	\$120,101	\$120,101
<u>Costs</u> – DHSS (§192.2554) p. 3-4			
Personnel Service	(\$12,500)	(\$38,250)	(\$39,015)
Fringe Benefits	(\$7,348)	(\$22,336)	(\$22,632)
Expense & Equipment	(\$2,592)	(\$3,338)	(\$3,405)
Total Costs - DHSS	(\$22,440)		
		(\$63,924)	(\$65,052)
FTE Change	0.5 FTE	0.5 FTE	0.5 FTE
<u>Costs</u> – OA, ITSD/DHSS (§§192.2550 - 192.2560)			
New website and system development p. 3	(\$45,360)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	(\$67,800)	<b>\$56,177</b>	\$55,049
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Estimated Net FTE Change on General Revenue	0.5 FTE	0.5 FTE	0.5 FTE
FEDERAL FUNDS			
Income - DHSS (§192.2554) reimbursement for PPEC license program p. 3-4	\$22,440	\$63,924	\$65,052
Income – OA, ITSD/DHSS (§§192.2550 - 192.2560) New website and system development p. 3	\$45,360	\$0	\$0
Savings – DHSS (§192.2550) Cost avoidance due to PPEC State Plan Amendment p. 3-4	\$0	\$233,189	\$233,189
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Costs – OA, ITSD/DHSS (§§192.2550 - 192.2560) New website and system development p. 3	(\$45,360)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
	(10 Mo.)		
Losses – DHSS (§192.2550) Decrease			
reimbursement due to PPEC State Plan Amendment			
p. 3-4	\$0	(\$233,189)	(\$233,189)
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL			
FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u>\$0</u>
Estimated Net FTE Change on Federal Funds	0.5 FTE	0.5 FTE	0.5 FTE
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SUBDIVISIONS	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON POLITICAL	\$0 to	\$0 to	\$0 to
with licensure requirements p. 5	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
<u>Costs</u> – Childcare providers to become compliant	\$0 to	\$0 to	\$0 to
LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS			
	(10 Mo.)		
FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027

## FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

There could be a negative impact to small business childcare providers due to possible compliance requirements. (§§210.201, 210.211, 210.252 and 210.275)

## FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Beginning August 28, 2025, it shall be unlawful for any person to establish, maintain, or operate a prescribed pediatric extended care facility without a license issued by the Department of Health and Senior Services. A "prescribed pediatric extended care facility" is defined as a facility providing medically necessary multidisciplinary services to children under 6 years of age with complex medical needs requiring continuous skilled nursing intervention of at least 4 hours a day under a physician's order. Multidisciplinary services may include skilled nursing, personal care, nutritional assessment, developmental assessment, and speech, physical, and occupational therapy. Prescribed pediatric extended care facilities shall also be licensed child care providers under state law.

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This act sets forth the Department's authority to issue, suspend, or revoke such licenses, as well as conduct inspections and investigations and to promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this act.

Prescribed pediatric extended care facilities with caregiver staffing ratios of one licensed nurse present for every child present; hospitals, sanitariums, or homes operated for medical treatment or nursing or convalescent care for children; and certain programs licensed by the Department of Mental Health shall not be required to be licensed under this act. (§§192.2550 - 192.2560)

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 Attorney General's Office Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Department of Health and Senior Services Department of Mental Health Department of Public Safety Division of Fire Safety

Missouri Highway Patrol Department of Social Services Joint Committee on Administrative Rules Missouri Office of Prosecution Services Office of the Secretary of State Office of the State Courts Administrator Phelps County Sheriff's Department Branson Police Department Kansas City Police Department St. Louis County Police Department

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