

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1016-04
Bill No.: Perfected SCS for SB 357
Subject: Psychologists; Licenses–Professional; Department of Economic Development
Type: Original
Date: February 28, 2001

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development–Division of Professional Registration** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their agency.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<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

This act modifies licensing provisions relating to professional counselors and psychologists.

Currently, Section 337.029 outlines licensure procedures for psychologists. The incorrectly enacted version of this section is repealed. The correctly enacted version contains an additional requirement that the psychologist must hold a current Certificate of Professional Qualification from the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards.

Licensure requirements for professional counselors are outlined in Section 337.510. Subsection 2 of that section states that a person may obtain license reciprocity if he or she is currently licensed in another state with substantially similar licensing requirements. New language requires that reciprocity be awarded. The applicant's license must be unsuspended in addition to being unrevoked and unexpired. A new subsection 3 is also added to provide for reciprocity to any person who:

1. Previously held a valid unrevoked, unsuspended professional counseling license in Missouri;
2. Held a valid license in another state at the time of application in Missouri.

DESCRIPTION (continued)

If the above qualifications are satisfied, then a person must be granted a license to return to this state and practice as a professional counselor. The person must follow the same application and fee procedures outlined in this section.

This act contains an emergency clause.

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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Jeanne Jarrett, CPA
Director

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