

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3459-01
Bill No.: HB 1313
Subject: Economic Development Dept: Health Care Professionals; Licenses - Professional;
 Medical Procedures and Personnel
Type: Original
Date: February 19, 2002

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
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** stated that this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agency.

Officials from the **Secretary of State's Office (SOS)** assumed the rules, regulations and forms issued by the Department of Economic Development - State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts could require as many as 16 pages in the *Code of State Regulations*. For any given rule, roughly half again as many pages are published in the *Missouri Register* as in the Code because cost statements, fiscal notes and the like are not repeated in the Code. These costs are estimated. The estimated cost of a page in the *Missouri Register* is \$23. The estimated cost of a page in the *Code of State Regulations* is \$27. The actual costs could be more or less the SOS's estimated cost of \$984 for FY 2003. The impact of this legislation in future years is unknown and depends upon the frequency and length of rules, filed, amended, rescinded or withdrawn.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal could affect small businesses by allowing some physical therapists to begin practicing sooner as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposed legislation contains provisions regarding the licensing of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants. The proposal:

- (1) Provides for reciprocal, provisional, and temporary licenses;
- (2) Allows additional examination sittings for individuals who meet criteria established in the proposal;
- (3) Requires provisional licensed physical therapists to practice under the direct supervision of a licensed physical therapist;
- (4) Permits issuance of temporary licenses to those failing the licensing exam. The duration of the first temporary license will be six months and can only be renewed once. This renewal may only be issued if the licensee, after showing good cause, fails to sit for the next scheduled examination. Temporary licenses may be issued to students in their last semester of physical therapy school; and
- (5) Requires that applicants only sit for the licensing exam three times. Upon failing the state exam for the second time, an applicant must complete a program of remediation before sitting for the third exam.

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
Office of Secretary of State
Administrative Rules Division



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