

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1070-01  
Bill No.: HB 287  
Subject: Health Care Professionals; Hospitals  
Type: Original  
Date: February 8, 2011

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Bill Summary: This legislation modifies provisions relating to health care professional identification badges.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

#### ***Section 197.705:***

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health** assume the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agency.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** state 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 \$2,500. 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 the 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.

**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.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services** assume the Department will be required to draft and promulgate rules to implement the provisions of Section 197.705. Checks for compliance with the requirements of the legislation and any rules promulgated will be added to the routine survey process. The Department assumes this legislation can be implemented with existing staff and resources, therefore it is not expected to result in a fiscal impact.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** states the legislation defines what is required and certain font size of information to be included on the identification badges of employees of health care facilities as defined in sections 197.020 and 197.305. This would include hospitals and all health services subject to the Certificate of Need.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Since the identification badges are currently required and only the content is being dictated in the new requirements of this proposal, the additional costs would be the difference between current ID badges being used and meeting of the new requirements. In addition, a reasonable time frame was used for replacement with a five year deadline from the effective date of the legislation.

The additional costs could be reflected in rates, however because of the rate setting time frames and methods, any additional costs would not be reflected in rates until SFY15 at the earliest. Hospital rates are based on the fourth prior year cost report, therefore 2012 would not be reflected until 2016. Nursing facility rates do not have an annual defined cost report year basis, however if there was a nursing facility rate rebase using the 2012 cost reports, SFY15 would be the earliest possible effective date.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2012 (10 Mo.)	FY 2013	FY 2014
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2012 (10 Mo.)	FY 2013	FY 2014
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

**Section 197.705:**

Depending on the definition of "health care facilities", there could be an impact to small businesses to provide the required identification badges.

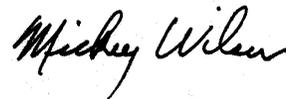
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

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 Mental Health  
Department of Health and Senior Services  
Department of Social Services  
Office of the Secretary of State



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