

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5004-01
Bill No.: HB 1604
Subject: Professional Registration and Licensing
Type: Original
Date: December 18, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal requires any person who holds himself or herself out as an advanced radiologist practitioner or radiologic technologist to be licensed by the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
General Revenue	(\$293,474)	(\$147,343)	(\$149,874)
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$293,474)	(\$147,343)	(\$149,874)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Healing Arts Fund*	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

*Transfer in from General Revenue to offset Fund Expenses.

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Healing Arts Fund	3	2	2
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	3	2	2

☒ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration (DIFP)** state that this legislation requires the Board of Registration for the Healing Arts to license radiologist assistants and radiological technicians. However, since there is no authority to charge fees for this licensure, the board will need to receive funding from General Revenue in order to license these individuals.

According to DIFP, based on projections from the Missouri Economic Research and Information Center, it is estimated that 6,584 individuals in the state of Missouri will be required to be licensed. In addition, a 3% growth rate has been estimated.

DIFP is requesting 2 Processing Technicians II (\$26,652/each annually) to provide technical support, process applications for licensure, and respond to inquiries related to the licensure law and/or rules and regulations. In addition, 1 Legal counsel (\$55,500/annually) is needed to work with establishing rules for licensure and enforcement, as well as answering questions regarding applications and litigating cases before the board and the Administrative Hearing Commission (AHC). Due to the anticipated workload of legal counsel with the implementation of assistant physician licensure, it is believed additional legal counsel will be needed to assist the board in promulgating rules for the licensure of radiologist assistants and radiological technologists, reviewing applications for licensure and litigating cases before the AHC.

Printing and postage expenses for the first year include printing of rules, applications, letterhead and envelopes, as well as costs for mailings associated with initial licensure. Subsequent year's printing and postage estimate is based on a board of similar size, the Veterinary Board.

Each of the 8 board member receives \$70.00 per diem per day of each meeting. Meetings usually last 2 days each, there are 4 annually. (8 members x 4 meetings x 2 days = 64 days per diem. 64 days X \$70 = \$4,480 annually). In addition, each board member receives \$249 per meeting. (\$249 X 8 members X 4 meetings = \$7,968). During the first year of implementation costs are calculated for the design, program and implementation of the licensure program for new boards. (30 hours X \$18 = \$540).

The legislation does not provide any guidelines for processing, responding to, and investigating complaints and gives no authority to the board to handle complaints. Therefore, no enforcement costs have been figured for this fiscal note.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Boards within the division incur division-wide expenses based on specific board licensee averages, in addition to the department and Office of Administration cost allocations:

- \$9,636 Maintenance of Licensing System
 - \$3,935 Division Operating Expenses
 - \$17,708 Division Personal Service Expenses
- Total Additional Expenses: \$31,279

This proposal does not set up a source of revenue. It is assumed that without the authority to charge fees to these licensees, that funding would need to come from General Revenue to pay for the expenses related to licensure.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
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GENERAL REVENUE FUND

<u>Transfer Out</u> - to Healing Arts Fund; DIFP	<u>(\$293,474)</u>	<u>(\$147,343)</u>	<u>(\$149,874)</u>
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$293,474)</u>	<u>(\$147,343)</u>	<u>(\$149,874)</u>
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HEALING ARTS FUND

Costs- DIFP

Salaries	(\$90,670)	(\$53,837)	(\$54,375)
Fringe Benefits	(\$50,001)	(\$34,892)	(\$35,039)
Equipment and Expense	(\$121,524)	(\$27,335)	(\$27,597)
Other Fund Costs	<u>(\$31,279)</u>	<u>(\$31,279)</u>	<u>(\$32,862)</u>
<u>Total Costs - DIFP</u>	<u>(\$293,474)</u>	<u>(\$147,343)</u>	<u>(\$149,874)</u>
FTE Change - DIFP	3 FTE	2 FTE	2 FTE

<u>Transfer In</u> - from General Revenue; DIFP	<u>\$293,474</u>	<u>\$147,343</u>	<u>\$149,874</u>
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON HEALING ARTS FUND	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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Estimated Net FTE Change on the Healing Arts Fund	3 FTE	2 FTE	2 FTE
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FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2017
(10 Mo.)

FY 2018

FY 2019

\$0

\$0

\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Radiology practitioners and technologists will now be required to be licensed by the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts in order to practice in their small business.

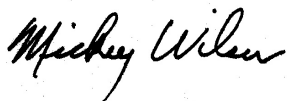
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This proposal requires any person who holds himself or herself out as an advanced radiologic technologist or radiologic technologist who performs imaging or treatment using ionizing radiation or magnetic resonance to be licensed by the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration.

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 Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration



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