

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4905-01  
Bill No.: Perfected HB 1419  
Subject: Health Care Professionals; Suicide; Physicians  
Type: Original  
Date: April 5, 2017

Bill Summary: This proposal creates provisions relating to mental health.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Professional Registration Administration*	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Committee of Psychologists	\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)	\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)	\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)
Colleges and Universities	\$0	\$0	\$0 to (Unknown)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</b>	<b>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</b>	<b>\$0 or (Greater than \$3,000 to \$6,000)</b>

\*Transfers in and costs net to \$0.

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</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 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration (DIFP)** state the compact will be effective when it is enacted into law in the seventh member state. Currently, two states have enacted the compact and seven other states (including Missouri) have introduced legislation to enact the compact. It is uncertain if the compact would be enacted in FY19, FY20, or FY21. Once the compact is enacted, the DIFP, Division of Professional Registration would have the following fiscal impact: \$3,000 to \$6,000 annual fee to participate in the compact.

**Oversight** notes the DIFP has modified its response from the one provided for similar legislation from the current session (SB 733) as a result of receiving clarification regarding licensure fees for practitioners wishing to participate under the compact. It has been determined that any interjurisdictional licensing fees would go to the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards rather than to the State of Missouri.

Officials from the **Attorney General's Office (AGO)** assume any potential cost arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources. AGO may seek additional appropriations if the proposal results in a significant increase in cases.

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

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services**, the **Department of Mental Health**, the **Department of Social Services**, the **Department of Corrections**, the **Office of the State Courts Administrator** and the **Department of Higher Education** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

Officials from the **State Technical College of Missouri** and **Missouri State University** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 1896), officials from the **Office of the Governor** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

House Amendment 3

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HCS for HB 2354), officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assumed 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 Secretary of State's Office 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, we also recognize 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 our office can sustain with our core budget. Therefore, we reserve 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.

**Oversight** assumes there could be some costs associated with meeting the standards related to mental health services. Oversight notes the proposal provides that each public four-year institution of higher education, in the 2020-2021 school year, shall report on compliance with the International Association of Counseling Services standards and conduct a needs assessment to meet the standards. Therefore, Oversight will reflect the potential unknown costs to public colleges and universities beginning in FY 2021.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION ADMINISTRATION FUND (#689)</b>			
<u>Transfer-in</u> - from State Committee of Psychologists Fund (#580) (§§337.100 - 337.165)	\$0 or \$3,000 to \$6,000	\$0 or \$3,000 to \$6,000	\$0 or \$3,000 to \$6,000
<u>Costs</u> - DIFP (§§337.100 - 337.165) Interstate compact fee	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION ADMINISTRATION FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>STATE COMMITTEE OF PSYCHOLOGISTS FUND (#580)</b>			
<u>Transfer-out</u> - to Professional Registration Administration Fund (#689)(§§337.100 - 337.165) Interstate compact fee	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE STATE COMMITTEE OF PSYCHOLOGISTS FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 or (\$3,000 to \$6,000)</u></b>
<b>COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES</b>			
<u>Costs</u> - Colleges and Universities (§173.2530) - potential changes to counseling program policies & procedures to meet International Association of Counseling Services standards	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal could impact small business practitioners if they choose to obtain a certificate to practice in a compact member state.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Beginning in the 2020-21 school year, each public four-year institution must publish a report measuring compliance with the standards set forth by the International Association of Counseling Services relating to mental health services provided on college campuses. If an institution does not meet the standards, it must conduct a needs assessment. The report must be made available to the public and posted on the institution's website (Section 173.2530, RSMo).

This bill allows health care professionals to annually complete up to two hours of suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training, which may qualify as part of the continuing education requirements for licensure as a health care professional.

Psychologists are required to complete two hours of such training as a condition of initial licensure. The bill also requires behavior analysts, professional counselors, social workers, baccalaureate social workers, and marital and family therapists to complete two hours of suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training as a condition of initial licensure and as a condition of license renewal. The training shall count toward any continuing education required for such license (Sections 324.046, 337.020, 337.315, 337.320, 337.507, 337.510, 337.612, 337.618, 337.662, 337.712, and 337.718).

This bill adopts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact in order to regulate the day to day practice of telepsychology by psychologists across state boundaries. The compact regulates psychological services using telecommunication technologies only, it does not apply to in-person, face-to-face practice by an out-of state psychologist except to authorize the temporary in-person, face-to-face practice of psychology by psychologists across state boundaries for up to 30 days per calendar year.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)


The compact allows a psychologist in one compact state to practice, via telecommunication technologies, in another compact state without having to obtain a license in that other state. The compact requires each compact state to meet certain requirements before their licensees can practice in other compact states, including having a mechanism in place for receiving and investigating complaints about licensees. The compact also establishes certain requirements for all psychologists practicing in accordance with the compact. Any psychologist practicing across state lines under this compact is still required to act within the scope of practice established by the state in which the services are taking place. The compact creates a joint public agency known as the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Commission. It is the commission that will promulgate rules to facilitate and coordinate implementation and administration of the compact. The commission shall also create a coordinated database for licensure information and a reporting system for licensure and disciplinary action information for all licensed psychologists to whom the compact is applicable.

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  
Department of Social Services  
Department of Health and Senior Services  
Department of Mental Health  
Department of Higher Education  
Department of Corrections  
Office of the Governor  
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules  
Attorney General's Office  
Office of the State Courts Administrator  
State Technical College of Missouri  
Missouri State University

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