

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3406-01
Bill No.: HB 970
Subject: Dentists; Economic Development Dept; Licenses - Professional
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Division of Professional Registration** state this proposal, in its present form, will have no fiscal impact on their division. Fees outlined in the proposal are already being collected.

Officials from the **Administrative Hearing Commission** anticipate this proposal will not significantly alter its caseload.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Division of Budget and Planning** state this proposal should not result in additional costs or savings to their division.

Officials from the **Secretary of State's Office (SOS)** assumed the rules, regulations and forms issued by the Department of Economic Development could require as many as 6 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 \$369 for FY 2005. The impact of this legislation in future years is unknown and depends upon the frequency and length of rules, filed, amended, rescinded or withdrawn.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

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 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal contains provisions pertaining to the practice of dentistry:

- (1) Allows for the practice of dentistry across state lines, as long as the person practicing across state lines is licensed to practice dentistry in another state and the practice is limited to the rendering of documented opinions concerning diagnosis and treatment through electronic means. When receiving consultations across state lines, the ultimate authority and responsibility for the diagnosis and treatment of the patient remains with the primary care dentist licensed in this state;
- (2) Authorizes the State Dental Board to issue specialist licenses without examination to applicants who have been certified in any specialty by an examining board recognized by the American Dental Association or the Council on Dental Accreditation;
- (3) Allows for issuance of specialized licenses for dentists who hold specialty licenses in other states, as long as they are licensed in this state and the educational requirements for their specialized licenses are the same or exceed those in this state;

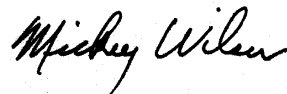
DESCRIPTION (continued)

- (4) Gives the board the authority to create specialization committees for each specialty recognized by the American Dental Association. The committees will assist the board in establishing criteria and evaluating applicants for specialty licenses;
- (5) Requires that all specialty licenses be subject to sanctions and licensees pay fees as set by the board;
- (6) Requires all dentists and dental hygienists to complete all continuing education requirements prior to license renewal. Failing to do so, without reasonable cause, will result in the license being sanctioned by the board;
- (7) Requires all dentists and dental hygienists who have allowed their licenses to lapse for more than four years to make application and take all licensing examinations required by the board; and
- (8) Contains provisions pertaining to the disposition of complaints brought before the Administrative Hearing Commission by the board regarding licensees who present a clear and present danger to the health and safety of the public at large.

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 Administration
Administrative Hearing Commission
Division of Budget and Planning
Office of Secretary of State
Administrative Rules Division



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