COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0540-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 85

<u>Subject</u>: Emergencies; Health Care Professionals; Liability.

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: December 28, 2004

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on | | | | |
| General Revenue Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2006 | FY 2007 | FY 2008 |
| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Profession Registration** as well as the **Department of Public Safety - Director's Office**, **State Highway Patrol** and the **State Emergency Management Agency** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** state they employ numerous health care professionals that could be deployed pursuant to this legislation. Depending on the number of staff deployed and the duration of the deployment, there may be a fiscal impact that could exceed \$100,000, related to any temporary hiring, or overtime pay necessary to fill in for critical needs for clients of services. However, for purposes of this fiscal note, DOH assumes the fiscal impact would be minimal.

| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
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| FISCAL IMPACT - State Government | FY 2006 (10 Mo.) | FY 2007 | FY 2008 |

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| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
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| FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government | FY 2006 (10 Mo.) | FY 2007 | FY 2008 |

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

This proposal creates immunity from certain civil liabilities for health care professionals who are deployed to provide care during a state of emergency. It also requires the Department of Health and Senior Services and the Division of Professional Registration to release contact information and licensure or certification information relating to health care professionals to state, local, and private agencies to facilitate their deployment.

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 Public Safety Department of Economic Development Department of Health and Senior Services

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