

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1622-01
Bill No.: HB 599
Subject: Economic Development Dept.; Licenses - Professional; Mental Health
Type: Original
Date: April 29, 2005

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
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
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
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 - Division of Professional Registration (DED-PR)** state having reviewed the proposed legislation and having sought the conclusion of the appropriate board(s), they are of the opinion the proposal, in its present form, has no fiscal impact on the DED-PR.

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

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

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

The proposal will impact small business counselors as they will need to complete additional education requirements.

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DESCRIPTION

This proposal revises the definition of the "practice of professional counseling" to include the application of mental health, behavior, or human development principles in order to facilitate human development; prevent, diagnose, and treat mental and behavior disorders; conduct assessments for the purpose of establishing treatment; and plan, evaluate, and implement treatment plans using counseling treatment interventions.

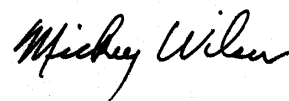
The definition of "professional counseling" is revised to include individual, group, marriage, and family counseling and psychotherapy; assessment; crisis intervention; diagnosis and treatment of persons with mental disorders; guidance and consultation to facilitate normal growth and development; utilization of functional assessment; consulting; research; and referral. Restrictions are placed on these practices to apply to those persons appropriately trained as a professional counselor.

After August 28, 2007, all applicants for licensure as a professional counselor will be required to provide the Committee for Professional Counselors with evidence of the completion of a minimum of three hours of graduate-level course work in diagnostic systems in the curriculum leading to their degree. The committee is authorized to establish continuing education requirements for professional counselors to maintain and renew their licenses.

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 -
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