

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1824-01  
Bill No.: HB 702  
Subject: Economic Development Dept.; Licenses - Professional  
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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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

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
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### 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 that this proposal, in its present form, has no fiscal impact on the DED-PR.

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health (DMH)** state that since the DMH and its contractors employ social workers, there will likely be some changes for the way this employee class is defined, but it should not affect the DMH fiscally. Therefore, the DMH assumes no fiscal impact.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DOS)** state since licensing is optional for DOS employees, there is no fiscal impact to the department. Even if the DOS decided to reimburse employees for the continuing education requirement, it would be because the training was deemed to be valuable to the DOS and not because the employee needed the course to maintain their credentials.

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

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2006  
(10 Mo.)

FY 2007

FY 2008

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal may impact small businesses that employ social workers.

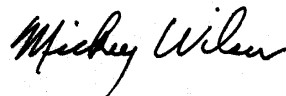
DESCRIPTION

This proposal changes the laws regarding the practice of social work. The proposal: (1) Requires applicants for licensure as clinical social workers to complete 3,000 hours of supervised clinical experience under a licensed clinical social worker within a specified period of time; (2) Removes the requirement that licensed clinical social workers applying for a Missouri license pass an examination on Missouri laws and regulations governing the practice of social work and be a member in good standing of the Academy of Certified Social Workers; (3) Authorizes the State Committee for Social Workers to require a minimum of 30 hours of continuing education for license renewal; (4) Requires the committee to establish ethical standards based on the code of ethics of the National Association of Social Workers; and (5) Clarifies the practice of baccalaureate social work.

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  
Department of Mental Health  
Department of Social Services



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