

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3512-02
Bill No.: HB 1234
Subject: Economic Development Dept.; Licenses - Professional; Nurses
Type: Original
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
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 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Division of Professional Registration** state having reviewed the proposal 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 their organization.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** state the Professional Nursing Student Loan program has a much higher rate of non-compliance than the Primary Care Resource Initiative for Missouri (PRIMO) student loan program, largely due to the differences in forgiveness methodologies. PRIMO allows forgiveness on a year-for-year basis so that the number of loans received by an individual determines the forgiveness period.

This proposal would allow regulatory changes to make the Nursing Student Loan program more consistent with the PRIMO loan program. The results of the change would increase the compliance rate of the program and reduce the time and effort necessary to manage the program, but would have no significant, direct fiscal impact on the DOH.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

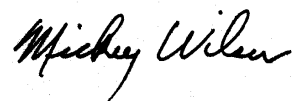
DESCRIPTION

This proposal changes two provisions of the Nursing Student Loan Repayment Program. "Eligible student" is redefined to mean a person who has been accepted as a full-time nursing student, rather than as a person who has applied for admission. Currently, 25% of the loan is forgiven for each year of employment; the proposal revises the repayment provision to permit forgiveness through employment without mention of a specific schedule.

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 Health and Senior Services



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