

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4388-02
Bill No.: HB 2229
Subject: Dentists; Licenses - Professional
Type: Original
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Bill Summary: Requires expanded-functions permits for dental hygienists performing certain duties.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Dental Board	\$0	\$61,710	\$1,851
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$61,710	\$1,851

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Secretary of State (SOS)** state the fiscal impact for this proposal is less than \$2,500. The SOS does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the SOS can sustain within its core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the costs of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the Governor.

Officials from the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration (DIFP)** state the legislation will give the Missouri Dental Board the authority to issue permits to dental assistants and dental hygienists authorizing them to perform expanded function dental procedures. There are no mechanisms in place which enable the board to determine the number of dental assistants currently working in Missouri. The estimates provided are assumptions based on the number of dentists practicing in Missouri. Private entity fees are set at an amount to cover the total actual cost incurred by the office, which includes personal service, expense and equipment and transfers.

There are currently 3,300 licensed dentists in Missouri. Assuming each dentist has two dental assistants/dental hygienist, there are 6,600 potential expanded function dental assistants/hygienists. Assuming a licensure fee of \$10, with renewal every five (5) years, the anticipated revenue is \$66,000 (6,600 X \$10) every five years. A three percent (3%) annual growth rate is assumed.

Printing and postage expenses for the first year include printing notification, applications, letterhead and envelopes, as well as costs associated with mailings associated with initial registration. Subsequent year's printing and postage is based on a board of similar size. The DIFP estimates FY 12 printing and postage costs of \$4,290 and FY 13 costs of \$129 (6,600 X 3% = 198 X \$0.65).

During the first year of implementation, costs are calculated for the design, program and implementation of the licensure program for new boards. The DIFP estimates \$540 in licensure system costs.

Oversight assumes the Dental Board can absorb the design and implementation costs to set up the new licensure program in FY 11.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013
DENTAL BOARD FUND			
<u>Income - DIFP</u>			
Dental assistant/hygienist licensing fees	\$0	\$66,000	\$1,980
<u>Costs - DIFP</u>			
Equipment and expenses	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$4,290)</u>	<u>(\$129)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON DENTAL BOARD FUND	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$61,710</u>	<u>\$1,851</u>
 <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	 FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	 FY 2012	 FY 2013
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small business dental offices may be impacted by this proposal if they pay the permit fee for their dental assistants and hygienists to perform expanded-function duties.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

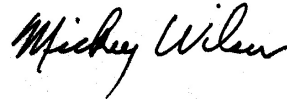
This proposal requires all dental assistants and dental hygienists to obtain a permit from the Missouri Dental Board in the Division of Professional Registration within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration in order to perform expanded-functions duties. "Expanded-functions duties" are defined as reversible acts that would be considered the practice of dentistry that the board specifies by rule may be delegated to a dental assistant or dental hygienist who possesses an expanded-functions permit.

Nothing in the proposal will be construed as making it unlawful for a licensed dentist to perform any dental services that would be considered expanded-functions duties or dental assistants, certified dental assistants, or expanded-functions dental assistants to polish teeth. The board is prohibited from establishing any rule allowing the delegation of acts to a dental assistant which would conflict with the practice of dental hygiene. Expanded-functions permits must be renewed every five years, and the board is authorized to establish rules regarding the issuance and renewal of the permits.

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 Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration
Office of Secretary of State

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