# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

## **FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1201-02

Bill No.: SCS for HB 470

Subject: Professional Registration and Licensing

Type: Original

<u>Date</u>: April 30, 2019

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the "Expanded Workforce Access Act of 2019."

## **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
General Revenue Fund	\$0 or (\$12,133)	\$0	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0 or (\$12,133)	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
Various DIFP Funds	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
Total Estimated Net Effect on All				
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
General Revenue Fund	0 or 0.1 FTE	0 FTE	0 FTE	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0 or 0.1 FTE	0 FTE	0 FTE	

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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## FISCAL ANALYSIS

## **ASSUMPTION**

## Section 324.025

Officials from the **Department of Insurance**, **Financial Institutions and Professional Registration (DIFP)** assume this proposal establishes the Expanded Workforce Access Act of 2019. The fiscal impact is unknown to various DIFP funds depending upon the type of apprenticeships developed by state agencies or other licensing authorities and the extent of work that is demanded of the Division of Professional Registration.

**Oversight** notes that the DIFP has stated the proposal would have an unknown direct fiscal impact on their organization depending on the type of apprenticeships developed by state agencies. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect an unknown fiscal impact to Various DIFP Funds.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services - Division of Regulation and Licensure (DHSS)** state that the proposed legislation requires the promulgation of rules and regulations, which include the following duties (but not all inclusive): establish guidelines, implement strategies, make evidence-based system changes, and create policy recommendations. The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Office of General Counsel will need an additional .1 FTE for an attorney (salary of \$64,500 per year) to perform the research necessary to ensure the new guidelines and information for this proposed legislation has been properly vetted and implementation is completed quickly and with fiscal responsibility. Due to current workload being at maximum limits, these costs cannot be absorbed.

**Oversight** assumes DHSS could absorb some of the additional duties without adding .1 FTE in FY 2020; however, DHSS has stated due to current workload being at maximum limits, these cost cannot be absorbed. Therefore, Oversight will range the cost from \$0 (.1 FTE can be absorbed) to \$12,133 (0.1 FTE is not absorbed) in FY 2020 to the General Revenue Fund.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services - Division of Regulation and Licensure (DHSS)** state that this legislation allows an applicant to receive a license to practice an occupation, profession, or activity in Missouri under specified criteria through an apprenticeship program. The nursing home administrator applicant applying for licensure through apprenticeship would be treated as other applicants through the same application, office process, fee, and Board of Nursing Home Administrators' review to determine if the applicant meets the apprenticeship track for administrator licensure. DHSS does not anticipate an increase in applicants due to nursing home administrators obtaining licensure through an apprenticeship program.

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## <u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

#### Section 324.025.5

DHSS states that this section references the promulgation of rules and regulations. It is assumed it will take a Principal Assistant Board/Commission (salary \$51,658) approximately 16 hours make the required changes to state rules. Based on 2,080 working hours per year, this would require 0.01 FTE to assume these duties (16 hours  $\div$  2,080 hours per year = 0.01) for a total personal service cost of \$517 (\$51,658 X 0.01) for FY20.

DHSS anticipates being able to absorb these costs, resulting in zero fiscal impact. However, until the FY20 budget is final, the department cannot identify specific funding sources.

**Oversight** notes that the DHSS has stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note for their agency for this section.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assume many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$5,000. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and 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 office can sustain with the core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

**Oversight** assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could require additional resources.

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR)** state this legislation is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact beyond its current appropriation.

**Oversight** assumes JCAR will be able to administer any rules resulting from this proposal with existing resources.

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## ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, the Department of Revenue, the Office of Administration - Administrative Hearing Commission, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol, and the Department of Natural Resources each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Department of Agriculture** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

**Oversight** notes that the above mentioned agencies have stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note for these agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
Cost - DHSS (Section 324.025)			
Salary	\$0 to (\$5,375)	\$0	\$0
Fringe Benefits	\$0 to (\$2,689)	\$0	\$0
Equipment and Expense	\$0 to (\$4,069)	\$0	\$0
Total Cost - DHSS	\$0 to (\$12,133)	\$0	\$0
FTE Change - DHSS (Section 324.025)	0 to 0.1 FTE	0 FTE	0 FTE
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$0 to (\$12,133)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Estimated Net FTE to the General Revenue Fund	0 to 0.1 FTE	0 FTE	0 FTE
VARIOUS DIFP FUNDS			
Cost - DIFP (Section 324.025) Additional duties as a result of this proposal	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO VARIOUS DIFP FUNDS	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

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FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022

## FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

#### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill creates the "Expanded Workforce Access Act of 2019." Beginning January 1, 2020, licensing authorities are required to grant a license to any applicant that has completed the 8th grade, completed a federally-approved apprenticeship program, and passed any necessary examination. The passing score for any examination cannot be higher than the passing score required for any nonapprenticeship license, and there cannot be an examination required for an apprenticeship license if there isn't one required for a non-apprenticeship license.

For some types of apprenticeships, the number of working hours required cannot be more than the number of educational hours required for a non-apprenticeship license.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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## **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration Office of Administration

Administrative Hearing Commission

Department of Revenue

Department of Health and Senior Services

Department of Natural Resources

Department of Agriculture

Department of Transportation

Department of Public Safety

Missouri Highway Patrol

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Department of Economic Development

Office of the Secretary of State

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