

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1474H.01P  
Bill No.: Perfected HB 834  
Subject: Funerals and Funeral Directors; Professional Registration and Licensing  
Type: Original  
Date: March 12, 2025

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Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to licensing.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>
<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.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
<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 FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- ☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

#### §§333.041-333.042 - Funeral Related Services Licensing

Officials from the **Department of Commerce and Insurance** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note.

**Oversight** notes the balance of the Board of Embalmers & Funeral Directors fund (0633) balance at the end of December 2024 was \$3,053,393.21.

#### House Amendment 1

**Oversight** assumes House Amendment 1 will have no fiscal impact

#### House Amendment 2 - §324.263

Officials from the **Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI)** assume this proposal is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact beyond its current appropriation. However, if the workload significantly increases due to the expense of filing complaints with the AHC, additional resources will be requested through the appropriation process.

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 58), officials from **the Office of Administration - Administrative Hearing Commission** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

**Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note.

#### House Amendment 3 - §§337.627 & 337.628

Officials from the **Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI)** state costs are unknown at this time. The Committee for Social Workers is not aware of the number of pending accreditation programs in Missouri. Depending upon enrollment numbers, the Committee may need to hire additional staff. The committee may request additional FTE funding through the budget process.

**Oversight** assumes DCI is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes DCI could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, DCI could request funding through the appropriation process. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note.

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 268), officials from the **Department of Social Services** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2026 (10 Mo.)	FY 2027	FY 2028
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2026 (10 Mo.)	FY 2027	FY 2028
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

Adjusting and changing the embalming and funeral directing license criteria could have a fiscal impact on certain small business funeral establishments.

Certain small massage therapist businesses could be impacted by this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

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 Commerce and Insurance  
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