

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1441-02
Bill No.: HB 867
Subject: Physicians; Medical Procedures and Personnel; Mental Health; Education, Higher
Type: Original
Date: March 10, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes an online survey for the screening of medical students for risk of depression and the reporting of the prevalence of at-risk medical students using nonidentifying aggregate totals.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
General Revenue	(\$14,000)	(\$14,000)	(\$14,000)
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$14,000)	(\$14,000)	(\$14,000)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

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 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health (DMH)** state the DMH, in consultation with the medical schools in this state, is responsible for selecting and contracting with an organization to conduct the annual online surveys. The cost of developing the survey and conducting it annually is to be divided on a pro-rata basis between each medical school in the state. DMH assumes this cost will be paid to the contractor through a state appropriation with the schools then reimbursing the state.

The contractor will send DMH the anonymous scores of the surveys and DMH will analyze the data and prepare a report as directed in the proposal. DMH will then transmit the analysis to the medical schools. Also, in consultation with the “online survey organization” and the medical schools, DMH will establish a protocol to ensure the confidentiality of the data.

Although the proposal contains language that indicates the cost of the contract with the “online survey organization” is to be divided among the medical schools, there is no mention of such sharing of costs of the data analysis and report. Therefore it is assumed that DMH will bear this cost. DMH estimates an annual cost of approximately \$14,000 related to analysis of the data and preparation of a report.

DMH estimates a cost between \$50,000 and \$100,000 annually to meet all requirements of this legislation. That cost will be partially offset by the amount reimbursed to the state by the medical schools.

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules**, the **Office of Administration, Division of Purchasing and Materials Management** and the **Information Technology Services Division** and the **University of Missouri** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** state 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 \$2,500. 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.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

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 request funding through the appropriation process.

Officials from **Truman State University** did not respond to **Oversight's** request for a statement of fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
(\$195.595)			
<u>Income - DMH</u>			
Reimbursement from medical schools	\$36,000 to \$86,000	\$36,000 to \$86,000	\$36,000 to \$86,000
<u>Costs - DMH</u>			
Contract costs for survey	<u>(\$50,000 to \$100,000)</u>	<u>(\$50,000 to \$100,000)</u>	<u>(\$50,000 to \$100,000)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$14,000)</u>	<u>(\$14,000)</u>	<u>(\$14,000)</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<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.

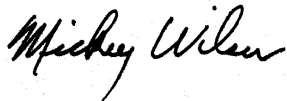
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposal establishes an online survey for the screening of medical students for risk of depression and the reporting of the prevalence of at-risk medical students using nonidentifying aggregate totals.

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 Mental Health
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
Office of Administration -
 Division of Purchasing and Materials Management
 Information Technology Services Division
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