

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 6085-02  
Bill No.: HB 2295  
Subject: Mental Health; Mental Health Department  
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Bill Summary: This proposal allows psychiatric physician assistants and psychiatric assistant physicians who are licensed under chapter 334 to provide psychiatric treatment to certain mental health patients.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
General Revenue	(\$33,500)	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>(\$33,500)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
<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.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
Federal*	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

\* One-time income and expenses less than \$50,000 in FY 19 net to \$0.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
<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 \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health** assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DSS), MO HealthNet Division (MHD)** state this legislation revises chapter 632 by adding definitions for psychiatric assistant physician and psychiatric physician assistant under chapter 334.

This legislation only adds definitions to chapter 632, but does not change MO HealthNet reimbursement under Chapter 208, RSMo, or impact MO HealthNet health care plans regulated under Chapter 376, RSMo.

Therefore, MHD assumes there would be no fiscal impact for Managed Care or Fee-for-Service with regard to utilization of services. However, there would be an estimated negative impact of \$67,000 for adding a new specialty. The total cost includes updating rules, prior authorization processing, and updates to the adhoc reporting tool. This impact would be in FY19, and would be a 50/50 split among State and Federal.

MHD assumes services provided by psychiatric physician assistant and psychiatric assistant physician will be paid from DMH budget, therefore MHD defers to DMH for costs associated.

Officials from the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, the Department of Public Safety, Missouri State Highway Patrol, the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan, the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Missouri Department of Transportation** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<u>Costs - DSS (§632.005)</u>			
System changes	<u>\$33,500</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
	<b><u>\$33,500</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<u>Income - DSS (§632.005)</u>			
Increase in reimbursement for system changes	\$33,500	\$0	\$0
<u>Costs - DSS (§632.005)</u>			
System changes	<u>(\$33,500)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal may positively impact small business physicians offices that might provide psychiatric treatment using physician assistants or assistant physicians.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill adds psychiatric physician assistants and psychiatric assistant physicians to the definition of mental health professionals for the purposes of Chapter 631, RSMo. The bill defines a psychiatric assistant physician as a licensed assistant physician under Chapter 334 who

FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

has had at least two years of experience as an assistant physician in providing psychiatric treatment to individuals suffering from mental health disorders and a psychiatric physician assistant as a licensed physician assistant under Chapter 334 and who has had at least two years of experience as a physician assistant in providing psychiatric treatment to individuals suffering from mental health disorders or a graduate of a postgraduate residency or fellowship for physician assistants in psychiatry or is currently in a postgraduate physician assistant residency or fellowship in psychiatry.

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  
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration  
Department of Public Safety -  
    Missouri State Highway Patrol  
Department of Social Services -  
    Mo HealthNet Division  
Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan  
Missouri Department of Conservation  
Missouri Department of Transportation

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