

Fiscal Note

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Title: LICENSE RADIOLOGIC/NUC. MED
TECHNOLOGISTS
Sponsor: TUCK
Requester: (H) Labor and Commerce

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
Appropriation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
OMB Component Number: 2360

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

| | FY2019 Appropriation Requested | Included in Governor's FY2019 Request | Out-Year Cost Estimates | | | | |
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| | | | FY 2019 | FY 2019 | FY 2020 | FY 2021 | FY 2022 |
| OPERATING EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | |
| Personal Services | 274.5 | | | 274.5 | 274.5 | 274.5 | 274.5 |
| Travel | | | | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 |
| Services | 88.2 | | | 79.0 | 79.0 | 79.0 | 79.0 |
| Commodities | 30.8 | | | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Capital Outlay | | | | | | | |
| Grants & Benefits | | | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | | | | | | | |
| Total Operating | 393.5 | 0.0 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 |

Fund Source (Operating Only)

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| 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF) | 393.5 | | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 |
| Total | 393.5 | 0.0 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 |

Positions

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Full-time | 3.0 | | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Part-time | | | | | | | |
| Temporary | | | | | | | |

Change in Revenues

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| 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF) | 393.5 | | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 |
| Total | 393.5 | 0.0 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 | 365.8 |

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2018) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2019) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/19

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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| Approved By: | Catherine Reardon | Date: | 03/02/18 |
| Agency: | Division of Administrative Services, DCCED | | |

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

HB 89 requires licensure of individuals who use radioactive materials or equipment emitting radiation on a human for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes and prohibits employment of a non-licensed radiologic technologists. AS 08.01.010 will be amended to include radiologic technologists as a regulated profession under AS 08.89.

The bill establishes the scope of practice for licensees, license types, licensure requirements and exemptions, unlawful acts, and transitional language for program implementation. The bill creates the following license types that would be subject to regulation by the Department of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development: radiologic technologist; radiation therapist; nuclear medicine technologist; limited radiologic imager; temporary permitted radiologic technologist; temporary permitted radiation therapist; temporary permitted nuclear medicine technologist; and temporary permitted limited radiologic imager. This bill also establishes guidelines for creating, assessing, and approving continuing education applications for full and limited licenses.

The addition of this program requires startup expenses to configure the professional licensing database, develop and implement regulations, purchase supplies, and establish program procedures.

The program will require one full-time Occupational Licensing Examiner to assist in developing and maintaining regulations, procedures, administer examinations, and to examine license applications. In addition, one full-time Investigator III will be needed to meet the investigative requirements of the agency and maintain public protection.

One full-time Records & Licensing Supervisor is necessary to implement this program. Currently, the existing Records & Licensing Supervisors are spread among the 43 professional licensing programs, and cannot absorb the duties associated with this program and maintain their current supervisory and program responsibilities. This new position would serve as a Records & Licensing Supervisor over multiple existing programs as well as the new program. The position's costs would be spread among those programs through positive timekeeping.

Costs for establishing and maintaining the new license program are based on existing programs of similar size and consist of the following. If the bill passes the following expenses will be incurred:

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| Personal Services: | \$274.5 (three permanent full time positions: 1 Investigator III, range 18; 1 Licensing examiner, range 14; and Records and licensing Supervisor, range 16) |
| Travel: | \$11.5 (investigative travel, based on 5 investigations per year) |
| Services: | \$9.4 (one-time databases setup costs) \$11.3 (legal costs to amend regulations, printing, and postage in the first year) \$22.5 (annual legal costs) \$5.9 (hearing and mediation in out years) \$2.0 (expert witness fees in out years) \$3.6 (out year costs for memberships, legal advertising, printing, and postage) \$45.0 (annual statewide core services reimbursable services agreements: human resources, financial support, mail, software licenses, and department support costs) |
| Commodities: | \$30.0 (computers, furniture, and other one-time needs in the first year) \$0.8 (annual supplies) |

Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are funded by Receipt Supported Services, fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF). Licensing fees for each occupation are set per AS 08.01.065 so the total amount of revenue collected approximately equals the occupation's actual regulatory costs.