

Fiscal Note

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Title: BOARD/LICENSING OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS
Sponsor: NAGEAK
Requester: House Labor & 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)

	FY2015 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2015 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel	18.4		36.8	36.8	36.8	36.8	36.8	36.8
Services	51.2		12.9	12.9	12.9	12.9	12.9	12.9
Commodities	0.2		0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	69.8	0.0	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1156 Rcpt Svcs	69.8		49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9
Total	69.8	0.0	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues	69.8		49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9	49.9
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2015) 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/15

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

HB328 requires licensure of massage therapists. It establishes the scope of practice for licensees, licensure requirements and exemptions, unlawful acts, and transitional language for program implementation. This bill establishes required licensure for individuals engaging in the practice of massage therapy. This will add a new professional licensing program to the 39 existing within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing ("division").

The addition of this program requires startup expenses to configure the professional licensing database, develop and implement regulations, purchase supplies, and establish program procedures. Licensing fees for each program are set per AS 08.01.065 so the revenue collected equals the occupation's regulatory costs.

Costs for establishing and maintaining the new license program are based on existing programs of comparable size and consist of the following:

Travel: \$15.4 in first year and \$30.8 in future years for five board members to travel to meetings (two meetings in first year and four meetings annually thereafter); \$3.0 in first year and \$6.0 in future years for a staff member to travel to meetings (two meetings in first year and four meetings annually thereafter).

Services: \$35.2 in the first year for IT to incorporate the new licensing program into the professional licensing database; \$11.9 first year legal support costs for implementing program; \$5.6 on-going legal support services beginning in year two; \$3.2 on-going hearing and mediation services beginning in year two; \$1.1 printing, advertising, mailing costs for public notice of regulations, postage, memberships; \$3.0 for fingerprinting.

Commodities: \$0.2 business supplies.

Licensure fee setting regulations are required and the board must adopt regulations necessary to carry out the board's duties.

In addition to the above costs the program would incur direct expenses for licensing examiners, investigators, regulations specialist, and supervisory management through positive timekeeping. They would also incur indirect expenses for administrative support, such as accounting, payroll, risk management, ADA chargeback, and building leases. Although increased authorization is not needed for these costs, this program's share of the division's total indirect costs will be considered as part of the program's total costs during the biennial review of licensing fees.