

HF4247 - 0 - Guest Licensure for Marriage and Family Therapy

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings	X	
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology	X	
Local Fiscal Impact		X

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Health Related Boards	-	-	13	(4)	(4)	(4)
Total	-	-	13	(4)	(4)	(4)
Biennial Total			13			(8)

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Health Related Boards	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

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*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2		Biennium			Biennium	
Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	
Health Related Boards	-	-	13	(4)	(4)	
Total	-	-	13	(4)	(4)	
Biennial Total			13		(8)	
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
Health Related Boards						
Expenditures	-	-	22	5	5	
Absorbed Costs	-	-	(4)	(4)	(4)	
Total	-	-	18	1	1	
Biennial Total			18		2	
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
Health Related Boards						
	-	-	5	5	5	
Total	-	-	5	5	5	
Biennial Total			5		10	

Bill Description

A bill relating to health occupations; establishing guest licensure for marriage and family therapy; establishing fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 148B.392, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 148B.

Section 1: Subdivision 1 - A nonresident of Minnesota who does not hold a MN health-related license may apply for guest licensure at least 30 days prior to the nonresident's expected date of marriage and family therapy practice in Minnesota. Eligibility for issuance of a guest license includes: Nonresident must have a license, certification or registration in good standing to practice marriage and family therapy in another jurisdiction; have earned a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy or a related field from a regionally accredited institution; be of good moral character; have no pending complaints or active disciplinary or corrective actions; submit fee and complete criminal background check required by M.S. 214.075; and pay guest licensure fee as established in M.S. 148B.392.

The guest license is valid for one year from date of issuance and allows practice by the nonresident for a maximum of five consecutive months during the 12-month license term. The guest license is not renewable but the nonresident may reapply for guest licensure following expiration of a guest license.

Subdivision 2 A nonresident may serve as an expert witness, organizational consultant, presenter or educator without obtaining a guest license provided the nonresident is appropriately trained, educated or has been issued a license, certificate or registration by another jurisdiction.

Subdivision 3 A nonresident issued a guest license is subject to the prohibitions and sanctions for unprofessional or unethical conduct set forth in the laws and rules governing the practice of marriage and family therapy in Minnesota.

Section 2. A guest licensure fee of \$150 is established and other, technical changes made to the Board's fee statute.

Assumptions

The bill establishes a guest license for nonresidents seeking to provide marriage and family therapy services in Minnesota for a limited amount of time.

Expenditures: The Board assumes that staff work relating to the issuance of a guest license can be managed with current

staffing level.

MN.IT and outside vendors would be required to create a new database module for the guest license and the external interface for the guest license applicants/licensees. After creation, there will be small ongoing maintenance costs for the database module and external interface.

When making revenue projections, the Board assumes that approximately 30 individuals will seek guest licensure with the Board annually. This number is projected from the inquiries re: guest licensure the Board currently receives. The current bill includes a \$150 license fee.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

EXPENDITURES:

Description	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
FTE Annual Expenses	0	3,600	3,600	3,600
Computer Services	0	18,000	1,000	1,000
Total Estimated Expenses	0	21,600	4,600	4,600

REVENUES:

Fee Description	New Fee	Estimate Number Paying Fee by Fiscal Year Starting in FY25	Total Estimate Revenue FY 2025	Total Estimate Revenue FY 2026	Total Estimate Revenue FY 2027
Guest License Fee	150	30/30/30	4,500	4,500	4,500
Total			4,500	4,500	4,500

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

After payment of initial database module creation, the guest license will generate annual fee income for the Board sufficient to cover operational costs relating to the license.

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

The Board consulted with MN.IT staff and database vendor staff for cost estimates relating to the creation of a new license type and module within the Board’s existing database framework.

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