

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 60** SLS 24RS 183

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Welcome Home Act		

FEES/LICENSES/PERMITS

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Provides relative to occupational licenses. (8/1/24)

Proposed law requires a board to issue an occupational license or certification to a person if: the applicant holds a current and valid occupational license or certification in another state in an occupation with a similar scope of practice; the applicant has held the license or certification in the other state for at least one year; the other state required the applicant to pass an examination or meet certain standards; the other state holds the applicant in good standing; the applicant does not have a disqualifying criminal record as determined by the board in this state; the applicant does not have a disciplinary action or investigation pending in another state; the applicant pays all applicable fees; and the applicant provides proof of Louisiana residency. Proposed law requires the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Veterinary Medicine issue a conditional license pending normal licensure. Proposed law allows the Board of Dentistry require an applicant complete an initial clinical licensure examination. Proposed law allows a board to require a jurisprudential examination. Proposed law allows the Horticulture Commission administer an examination as necessary. Proposed law provides for an appeals process.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	
Ded./Other	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
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**Annual Total**

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law will likely result in an increase in expenditures, assumed to be SGR and Statutory Dedications, in FY 25 by various Boards and Commissions to develop new exams and integrate proposed law requirements into management software. Any such increase in expenditures is nuanced and situational. While some boards have reported no changes in costs as they already have their system setup to follow proposed law, others have reported an increase in costs to development exams and applications for applicants who qualify for licenses under proposed law. In addition, some boards report an increase in workload to research other state requirements and verify applicants have held the certification for one year, are in good standing, and do not have any pending actions or investigations. Based on conversations with various boards, the LFO assumes these costs can be absorbed in the board's operating budget.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law may result in an increase in revenues, assumed to be SGR and Statutory Dedications, to the extent proposed law leads to an increase in the number of applicants applying for a license and paying any associated fees. There is no way to predict the number of applicants who will apply for a license or certificate based on proposed law, therefore the total increase is unknown at this time.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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