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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 305** HLS 17RS 543
 Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ SEN COMM AMD**
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Louisiana Physical Therapy Board		

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 Provides for the regulation of the practice of physical therapy

Proposed law establishes a maximum continuing education review fee to be charged by the board.

In addition, the proposed law authorizes graduates of a foreign physical therapy assistant school and applicants that have completed a U.S. armed services program not accredited by a national accreditation agency approved by the board to qualify for a license as a physical therapy assistant.

EXPENDITURES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

The proposed law establishes a \$250 maximum fee that the board can charge a course sponsor to review a continuing education course. Currently, the board charges course sponsors a fee \$100 to review a course that is less than 8 credit hours and \$150 to review a course that is 8 credit hours or more. Year to date in 2017, the board has collected approximately \$115K in fees from course sponsors. Under this bill, the 2017 collections would have been approximately \$260K, which is an increase of \$145K.

Also, the proposed law allows graduates of a foreign physical therapy assistant school or applicants that have completed a U.S. armed services program not accredited by a national accreditation agency to qualify for a license as a physical therapy assistant. To the extent that new applicants apply for a license as a result of this measure, the board will collect an application fee of \$250 per applicant. However, it is anticipated that the number of new applicants will be minimal.

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| <u>Senate</u> | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S} |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |

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