

**Department of Planning and Budget
2003 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number HB2605

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Bryant

3. Committee Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title Dialysis Patient Care Technicians

5. Summary/Purpose: Establishes the requirement for certification from an organization approved by the Board of Health Professions for a person to use the titles "dialysis patient care technician" or "dialysis care technician." Unregulated persons performing services relating to the technical elements of dialysis, such as equipment maintenance and preparation of dialysers for reuse by the same patient, will not be affected. The Board of Health Professions is charged with approving programs examining candidates for appropriate competency or technical proficiency to perform as dialysis patient care technicians or dialysis care technicians for state certification. Individuals who are currently employed as dialysis care technicians and are administering medications in the ordinary course of their duties in Medicare-certified renal dialysis facilities and have satisfactorily completed a training program in accordance with the Core Curriculum for Dialysis Technician, also known as the Amgen Core Curriculum, or a comparable education and training curriculum, are grandfathered and will be in compliance with the new certification requirement. Other national training and testing programs appear to be available for the Board of Health Professions to approve, including several programs that are recognized by the National Association of Nephrology Technicians/Technologists.

6. Fiscal impact estimates are preliminary

Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2002-03	\$2,500	-	NGF
2003-04	-	-	-
2004-05	-	-	-

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: This bill would require the promulgation of regulations in FY2003 at a cost of approximately \$2,500 for expenses, such as committee meetings, mailings, and distribution of final regulations.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Health Professions

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Othercomments: None

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