

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB716

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Shannon

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; complaint information; time for filing complaints

**5. Summary/Purpose:** The bill authorizes the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to consider information from public sources as the basis for written complaints against a regulant. The bill also extends the period of time that a complaint may be filed against a regulant, when the regulant has misrepresented, concealed or omitted any information material to the establishment of a violation, to two years from the date of discovery of the misrepresentation, concealment or omission. Under current law, the period of time is extended only when the regulant materially misrepresents any information required by statute or regulation to be disclosed. The bill further provides that, in cases where criminal charges involving matters that would also constitute a violation of the regulations or laws of the regulant's profession or occupation enforced by the Department are brought against the regulant, an investigation may be initiated by the Department within two years of the date that the criminal charges are brought.

**6. Fiscal Impact:** The bill will have no fiscal impact for the Department of Occupational and Professional Regulation.

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:** None.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Occupational and Professional Regulation.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** None.

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade