

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number** Senate Bill 159

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron** H. Russell Potts, Jr.

**3. Committee** General Laws

**4. Title** Regulation of athletic trainers

**5. Summary/Purpose:** This bill revises the regulatory requirements for athletic trainers from certification to licensure. The Board of Medicine will promulgate regulations for the credentials of athletic trainers with the assistance of the Advisory Board on Athletic Training. Athletic trainers who are certified pursuant to the law in effect on June 30, 2004, will not be required to be licensed until July 1, 2005. Enactment clauses require the Board of Medicine to promulgate emergency regulations to implement the provisions of this act and to deem that athletic trainers who are certified to practice athletic training pursuant to the law in effect on June 30, 2004, will be, upon application, in compliance with the new licensure requirements and will be issued a license to practice athletic training. The Board is authorized to charge a reasonable fee for the application for and issuance of the license.

**6. Minimal Fiscal Impact**

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No

**8. Fiscal implications:** The Board of Medicine would absorb the cost (estimated at \$2,500) of the rulemaking required to change mandatory certification to licensure.

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

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No

**11. Other comments:** None

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources