# Department of Planning and Budget 2007 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB 2363

	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled
2.	Patron	Scott, Edward T.		
3.	Committee	Passed Both House	s	

- **4. Title** Equine dental technicians; registration
- **5. Summary/Purpose:** Sets forth procedures for the registration of equine dental technicians. Moreover, the bill establishes a penalty for performing specified activities by an unregistered individual and specifies that practice as an equine dental technician prior to the effective date of regulations promulgated to implement this act shall not constitute grounds for disciplinary action by the Board of Veterinary Medicine.

#### 6. Fiscal Impact is Unknown (see item 8)

- **7. Budget amendment necessary:** No. The Department of Health Professions will adjust fee revenue to meet the anticipated cost of regulation. The department's appropriation can be adjusted once the expenditure impact is more clearly determined.
- 8. Fiscal implications: As introduced, the registration of equine dental technicians would require that every person who engages in the practice of planing or leveling equine teeth with manual tools to be registered with the Board of Veterinary Medicine and hold certification. The certification requirement would include farriers and blacksmiths who have historically planed horses' teeth with devices such as a rasp. Given the breadth of the requirement for registration, the Board has no estimate of how many persons would be affected, but fees for an application for registration and renewal of registration must cover the administrative, regulatory, investigative and disciplinary costs attributable to regulation of the practice of equine dentistry. The Board's intent would be to set sufficient fees in regulations for equine dental technicians and to avoid a fee increase for other regulated professions and entities.

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

## 10. Technical amendment necessary: No

#### 11. Other comments: None

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