

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 263

House of Origin X Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Whipple, Mary Margaret

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Nurse practitioners; moves responsibility for licensure and regulation to Board of Nursing

5. Summary: This legislation moves responsibility for licensure and regulation of nurse practitioners from the Boards of Medicine and Nursing jointly to the Board of Nursing. Also, creates the Advisory Board on Nurse Practitioners and removes certain physician supervision requirements.

6. Minimal Fiscal Impact

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation will not have a significant impact on the overall cost of regulating nurse practitioners. All the operational costs and revenues associated with licensing and disciplining nurse practitioners and are already part of the Board of Nursing. This legislation will replace the Committee of the Joint Boards with an advisory committee with roughly an equivalent cost. It is assumed that the necessary cost of rulemaking will be absorbed with a minimal impact.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:
Department of Health Professions

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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