

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB 2177

<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:** Carr, Betsy B.

**3. Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

**4. Title:** Counseling, Board of; qualification of members

**5. Summary:** The proposed legislation reduces the number of professional counselors on the Board of Counseling from eight to six, increases the number of marriage and family therapists from two to three, increases the number of licensed substance abuse treatment practitioners from two to three, and requires at least two professional members representing each specialty to have been in active practice for at least four years. The bill eliminates the requirement that the professional members of the Board include two full-time faculty and two individuals engaged in private practice. The bill also removes certain conditions of initial appointment for professional members.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. No Fiscal Impact**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** None

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None

**Date:** 1/18/13

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