

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1325

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
 Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron: Barker, George L.

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Professional counselors, etc.; Board of Counseling to establish specified fees for licensure, etc

5. Summary: The enrolled legislation requires the Board of Counseling to establish, among other fees, specified fees for the licensure and certification of professional counselors, marriage and family therapists, substance abuse treatment practitioners, substance abuse counselors, substance abuse counseling assistants, and rehabilitation providers. The bill also contains a provision that after July 1, 2015, any increase or decrease in the fees of the Board of Counseling will be governed by §54.1-113 and the Administrative Process Act. In addition, the bill contains an emergency enactment clause.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes. Should the Department of Health Professions not have sufficient appropriation for the expenditure of the additional revenue generated by this bill, then a budget amendment is necessary to provide it.

7. Expenditure Estimate: Final

7a. Expenditure Impact: While it is assumed that the board would expend the additional revenue collected based on the fees established per the legislation; the bill does not explicitly compel any additional expenditures. Therefore, no expenditure impact is provided in this statement.

7b. Revenue Impact:

| <i>Fiscal Year</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Fund</i> |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 2013 | \$250,000 | Nongeneral |
| 2014 | \$316,000 | Nongeneral |
| 2015 | \$316,000 | Nongeneral |
| 2016 | \$316,000 | Nongeneral |
| 2017 | \$316,000 | Nongeneral |
| 2018 | \$316,000 | Nongeneral |
| 2019 | \$316,000 | Nongeneral |

8. Fiscal Implications: The fees, as required by the bill, are estimated to increase the Board of Counseling annual revenue by approximately \$316,000. The bill's emergency enactment clause will cause its provisions to become effective upon passage. Therefore it is assumed that the fee amounts specified in the bill will become effective before the end of FY 2013 thereby generating an estimated \$250,000 of additional revenue.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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