

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB101

<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:** Head

**3. Committee:** General Laws

**4. Title:** Tradesmen; expiration date of licenses issued by Board for Contractors.

**5. Summary:** Provides that licenses for tradesmen shall expire three years from the date of issuance by the Board for Contractors. This bill requires the Board to adjust the expiration date of current licenses for tradesmen such that license expiration dates coincide with the updates schedule of the Uniform Statewide Building Code until all licenses for tradesmen expire in three years.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill changes the administrative and regulatory responsibilities of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) by increasing the licensure period for tradesmen within the Board for Contractors from two years to three years. The Board currently regulates about 27,260 tradesmen. DPOR anticipates a loss of revenue over the next six years as DPOR would only collect two cycles of renewals rather than three.

It is anticipated that the loss of revenue can be absorbed with existing resources. If the loss of revenue impacts DPOR, DPOR would need to increase the initial application fee from \$130 to \$160 and the renewal fee from \$60 to \$90.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.