

Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2407

House of Origin	<u> X </u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Hall

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Health Practitioners' Intervention Program; revisions, changes name.

5. Summary: Changes the name of the Health Practitioners' Intervention Program to the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program. Also, clarifies that the purpose of the Program is to monitor impaired health professionals, rather than to intervene or treat them. The bill also ensures that the Director of the Department of Health Professions has primary responsibility for establishing the requirements for the Program, and that the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program Committee (currently the Intervention Program Committee) will only assist the Director in implementing the Program. Finally, the bill would allow a fee to be assessed on the participants.

6. Fiscal impact is unknown

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill would authorize the Director of the Department of Health Professions to make modifications to the HPIP program. This will likely result in expenditure reductions for the related boards. In addition, the ability to assess participants a fee related to the costs of the program will potentially generate additional revenue. However, since there are no plans to immediately enact fees upon the bill's passage, no increase in revenue is expected at this time.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources