

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

1. Bill Number: HB 2177

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

2. Patron: Carr, Betsy B.

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

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

5. Summary: The enrolled legislation reduces the number of professional counselors on the Board of Counseling from eight to six, changes the two marriage and family therapists to three clinical fellows of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, 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

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