

# Department of Planning and Budget

## 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB880

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

**2. Patron:**      Webert

**3. Committee:** Rules

**4. Title:**      Professions and occupations; regulatory boards.

**5. Summary:** The bill establishes the position of professional and occupational regulatory analyst within the Division of Legislative Services to assist the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules in (i) exerting its best efforts to evaluate at least three professions or occupations in each year and (ii) to the extent feasible, reviewing legislation establishing or modifying an occupational regulation to determine whether the legislation uses the least restrictive regulation necessary to protect or preserve the public health, safety, and welfare. The evaluation shall include recommendations for changes to occupational regulations to encourage use of the least restrictive regulation necessary.

The bill also restructures existing language by creating articles 1 and 2, where existing language is stricken and recreated according to its desired placement. Several new definitions are added for further clarification.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** Yes.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary.

**7a. Expenditure Impact:**

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2019	\$100,000	1	General
2020	\$100,000	1	General
2021	\$100,000	1	General
2022	\$100,000	1	General
2023	\$100,000	1	General
2024	\$100,000	1	General

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The bill requires a regulatory analyst be employed by the Division of Legislative Services (DLS) to review and evaluate all professions and occupations regulated by regulatory boards, including a review of at least three professions or occupations each year. DLS estimates there are 65 professions and occupations that will need to be evaluated. DLS expects that much input will need to be received from stakeholders, including the regulated community, regulatory boards, and impacted consumers in reviewing any profession or occupation. For these reasons, DLS expects the need to hire one full-time regulatory analyst with an estimated general cost of \$100,00 per year for salary and benefits.

Indirect impacts to other agencies with responsibilities related to professions and occupations are expected to be minimal such that they can be absorbed within existing funding.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Division of Legislative Services; the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules; the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation; other agencies related to the oversight or regulation of professions and occupations.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** None.

**11. Other Comments:** None.