## Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB713		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

**2. Patron:** McClellan

- 3. Committee: Education and Health
- **4. Title:** Board of Counseling; licensure of professional art therapists and professional art therapist.
- **5. Summary:** Establishes requirements for licensure as a professional art therapist and licensure as a professional art therapist associate and adds two representatives to the Board on Counseling who are licensed professional art therapists. The bill directs the Board to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate, see item #8.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The bill directs the Board to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill. Any costs for the promulgation of regulations can be absorbed within existing resources. It is unknown as to how many individuals would seek licensure and therefore a fiscal impact cannot be determined at this time. Depending on the increase in workload associated with the provisions of the bill, an additional licensing specialist may be needed. It is estimated that this position would cost an estimated \$64,875 annually. Fees for the licensure of art therapists would be set at a level sufficient to cover costs and the remaining can be absorbed with existing resources.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions.

## 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.