

Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1294

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Willett

3. Committee: Health and Human Services

4. Title: Board of Psychology; psychological practitioners; licensure.

5. Summary: Establishes a licensing procedure by the Board of Psychology for a psychological practitioner as defined in the bill. The bill directs the Board to adopt emergency regulations to implement the provisions of the bill.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: The provisions of this legislation would have a fiscal impact on the Board of Psychology as it creates a new pathway for licensure for psychological practitioners. The Department of Health Professions (DHP) estimates that the number of new licensees created by this new licensing category would be equal to the current number of licensed psychologists.

The boards are currently at operating capacity and in need of additional licensing staff to handle the existing licensing volume. The agency estimates it would need one position at \$97,476, which would be supported by application fees.

Any increase in workload to promulgate regulations can be handled within existing resources.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.