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HB 19-1208

**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

Drafting Number:	LLS 19-0856	Date:	June 10, 2019
Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Singer; Landgraf Sen. Fields; Gardner	Bill Status:	Signed into Law
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Bill Topic: PHYSICAL THERAPISTS YOUTH ATHLETES HEAD TRAUMA

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure (<i>minimal</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

This bill allows a licensed physical therapist with training in pediatric neurology or concussion evaluation and management to evaluate a concussed youth athlete and provide clearance for the athlete to return to play. This will minimally increase workload for the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill adds a licensed physical therapist with training in pediatric neurology or concussion evaluation and management to the definition of "health care provider" for the purposes of the required head trauma guidelines. This allows a licensed physical therapist to evaluate a concussed youth athlete and provide clearance for the athlete to return to play.

State Expenditures

The Board of Physical Therapy in the Department of Regulatory Agencies may have an increase in workload to conduct outreach to physical therapists about the change in law and to respond to additional questions and complaints. This workload increase can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 6, and takes effect August 2, 2019, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Information Technology Law Regulatory Agencies