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**HB16-1157**

**FISCAL NOTE**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

**Drafting Number:** LLS 16-0441 **Date:** February 10, 2016  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Garnett; Kraft-Tharp **Bill Status:** House Business Affairs and Labor  
 Sen. Tate **Fiscal Analyst:** Bill Zepernick (303-866-4777)

**BILL TOPIC:** SUNSET REVIEW SKOLNIK MEDICAL TRANSPARENCY ACT

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018	FY 2020-21
State Revenue			
State Expenditures			Workload increase.
<b>Appropriation Required:</b> None.			
<b>Future Year Impacts:</b> None.			

**Summary of Legislation**

The bill adds a September 1, 2021, repeal date for the administration of the Michael Skolnik Medical Transparency Act (Skolnik Act) by the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA). Prior to the repeal, the program will undergo a sunset review.

**Background**

The Skolnik Act requires various health care professionals to report information regarding their licensing history, prior disciplinary action, malpractice suits, and criminal convictions. The Skolnik Act is operated by DORA under the program name "Health Professional Profile Program" (HPPP). Information about health professionals reported to DORA is publicly available through a searchable database. The HPPP is operated as a centralized program for all covered professions regulated in the Division of Professions and Occupations. Under current law, the Division of Professions and Occupations in DORA is subject to a sunset review, but not an automatic repeal, every 10 years

**State Expenditures**

By adding a separate sunset review for the HPPP, workload in the Office of Policy, Research, and Regulatory Reform in DORA will increase in FY 2020-21. It is assumed appropriations to DORA to conduct sunset reviews will be adjusted through the annual budget process based on the total number of sunset reviews scheduled and anticipated workload each year.

## Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 10, 2016, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 11, 2016, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

## State and Local Government Contacts

Law                      Regulatory Agencies