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HB16-1160

FISCAL NOTE

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

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Ginal; Lontine Sen. Neville T.	Bill Status: House Health, Insurance, and Environment
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BILL TOPIC: SUNSET SURGICAL ASSISTANTS SURGICAL TECHNICIANS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018	
This bill continues a program that would otherwise end September 1, 2016, so the fiscal note shows continuing fiscal impacts.	New	New	Continuation
State Revenue		\$100,000	
Cash Funds		\$0	\$100,000
State Expenditures		\$99,151	
Cash Funds		\$0	\$99,151
TABOR Impact		\$100,000	
FTE Position Change			0.3 FTE
Appropriation Required: None.			
Future Year Impacts: Program costs continue through FY 2021-22.			

Summary of Legislation

The bill continues the regulation of surgical assistants and surgical technologists until September 1, 2021. These health professions are regulated by the Division of Professions and Occupations in the Department of Regulatory Affairs (DORA).

Background

Surgical assistants and surgical technologists have been regulated in Colorado since April 1, 2011. To practice in Colorado, professionals in these fields must register with DORA. There are approximately 600 surgical assistants and 1,800 surgical technicians registered in Colorado. Surgical assistants and surgical technologists must renew their registrations annually.

Fiscal Impact of Programs Set to Expire

This bill continues a program in the Division of Professions and Occupations in DORA that is set to repeal effective September 1, 2016. Under current law, state agencies may be appropriated funds to wind up the affairs of an expiring program for 12 months following the repeal date. To account for the wind-up period, the impact of extending the program beyond the current repeal date is shown as beginning in FY 2017-18, one year after the repeal date. There is no need for an appropriation of the program's base funding of \$99,151 in FY 2016-17, since the program's authorization has not yet expired and ongoing funding for the program is included in the department's base budget request for the year.

The state revenue and state expenditures impact for FY 2017-18 reflects the program's anticipated fee revenue and expenditures for that year. Based on prior year spending data in the Division of Profession and Occupations, costs are expected to be \$99,151 and 0.3 FTE in FY 2017-18. Current fee revenue to the program of \$100,000 per year will also continue under the bill.

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