

Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

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LRB Number 13-1880/1	Introduction Number AB-0270	
Description Additional providers in the volunteer health care provider program and proof of financial responsibility and malpractice insurance requirements for certain advanced practice nurses serving as volunteer health care providers		
Fiscal Effect State: <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

If enacted, 2013 Assembly Bill 270 would add the following health care professionals to those who may participate in, and receive the protections of, the volunteer health care provider program: nurse aides, emergency medical technicians, psychologists, certified social workers, licensed marriage and family therapists, licensed professional counselors, advanced practice nurses who are certified to issue prescription orders, medical assistants who hold certain certifications, health educators meeting certain criteria, and dental assistants. In addition, the bill exempts certain advanced practice nurses who are certified to issue prescription orders from current law requirements to provide proof of financial responsibility and maintain malpractice insurance while those advanced practice nurses are serving as a volunteer health care provider under the program.

By adding the above health care professionals to the volunteer health care provider program, the state will likely experience increased liability insurance costs. However, it is not possible to determine the additional liability amount that would be incurred by expanding the program.

Also, there would be additional administrative time to process the additional applications. Not only would the number of providers filing an application increase, but, due to the fact that not all of the additional providers are licensed by the department of safety and professional services, the department would need to verify these certifications prior to approving the application.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown.