

Fiscal Estimate - 2017 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 17-0494/1		Introduction Number AB-0670	
Description Exemption from continuing education requirements for certain retired professionals holding credentials granted by the Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, and Professional Land Surveyors and requiring the exercise of rule-making authority			
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"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	
Local:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs			
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs		3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected			
<input type="checkbox"/> Towns		<input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities	
<input type="checkbox"/> Counties		<input type="checkbox"/> Others	
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts		<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
Fund Sources Affected		Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 20.165(1)(g)			
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill would allow an architect, landscape architect, professional engineer, designer or professional land surveyor who is at least 65 years of age and who has maintained his or her credential for a minimum of 30 consecutive years to obtain a retired credential. Under the retired credential, the licensee would be able to maintain his or her professional title, but would not be allowed to engage in the practice of the profession. A person who obtains a retired credential would not have to complete the continuing education requirements associated with the license and would only pay half of the renewal fee.

There are currently 3,681 licensees in the subject license types that are age 65 or older. Of these, 2,031 licensees have held their credential for at least 30 years. The renewal for a license is currently \$82 for a two year license. If all 2,031 eligible licensees opted to seek the retired credential, it would decrease revenue by \$83,271 (\$74,943.90 PR-O and \$8,327.10 GPR-E) biennially; however, the department is unable to estimate the number of professionals that would utilize this option.

The department would incur one-time costs associated with establishing the new license types.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

There would be an ongoing decrease in state costs, because department staff would not have to determine if the continuing education requirements have been met for the retired licensees. It is estimated that this would reduce the processing time by approximately two minutes per renewal application. If all eligible licensees opted to seek the retired credential, this would reduce departmental costs by \$1,200 biennially; however, the department is unable to estimate the number of professionals that would utilize this option.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2017 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): The department would have one-time costs related to: 1) creating the five retired credentials in the Integrated Credentialing and Enforcement (ICE) system database; 2) ensuring that licensee data transfers from the active credentials to the retired credentials in the ICE system; 3) updating the online renewal process; 4) updating the departmental website; 5) updating renewal forms; 6) training staff on the new process; and, 7) drafting administrative rules. The department estimates these one-time costs at \$15,200.		
II. Annualized Costs:	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
	Increased Costs Decreased Costs	
A. State Costs by Category		
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$	\$
(FTE Position Changes)		
State Operations - Other Costs		
Local Assistance		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds		
GPR		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, ets.)		
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$	\$
GPR Earned		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT		
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$

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