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Bill Number: S. 0408 Introduced on January 18, 2023
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Subject: Suicide Prevention Training for Health Professionals
Requestor: Senate Medical Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): Wren
Impact Date: March 23, 2023

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill requires licensed professional counselors, marriage and family therapists, addiction counselors, and psycho-educational specialists to receive at least one hour of continuing education in suicide assessment, treatment, and management treatment as a portion of the total continuing education requirement for license renewal as determined by the respective boards in regulation.

The Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) indicates that expenses for the agency and respective boards to promulgate regulations and update forms to include the suicide prevention continuing education requirement can be managed within existing resources. Therefore, the bill will have no expenditure impact on LLR or the boards.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill requires licensed professional counselors, marriage and family therapists, addiction counselors, and psycho-educational specialists to receive at least one hour of continuing education in suicide assessment, treatment, and management treatment as a portion of the total continuing education requirement for license renewal as determined by the respective boards in regulation. For reference, LLR indicates there are currently 6,411 licenses subject to this educational requirement.

LLR indicates that the agency and the respective boards will need to promulgate regulations and update forms to include the suicide prevention continuing education requirement. However, these requirements can be managed within existing resources. Therefore, the bill will have no expenditure impact on LLR or the boards.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure and Revenue

N/A

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