

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 64

PRINTERS NO. 55

PRIME SPONSOR: Adolph

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
Professional Licensure Augmentation Account	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Requires licensed psychologists, social workers, marriage and family therapists and professional counselors to complete at least one hour of continuing education in suicide prevention. This legislation would take effect immediately.

ANALYSIS: This legislation establishes a free-standing act, known as the Matt Adler Suicide Prevention Continuing Education Act, to do the following:

- The State Board of Psychology and the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors shall require at least one hour of their existing continuing education requirement to be in the assessment, treatment and management of suicide risks.
- Each board shall promulgate necessary regulations within 18 months of the effective date.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: June 9, 2015

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.