



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
2009-10 Legislative Session

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL: 1250 PRINTER'S NO: 3135 PRIME SPONSOR: Gergley

| FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY | FY 2009/10 | FY 2010/11 |
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| Expenditure Increase/(Decrease): | See Analysis | See Analysis |

OVERVIEW:

House Bill 1250 amends the act of July 9, 1987, known as the Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors Act. It amends the act to prohibit a person to practice as a licensed social worker, licensed clinical social worker, licensed marriage and family therapist or licensed professional counselor in the commonwealth unless the person holds a valid license.

The bill will take effect in 120 days.

ANALYSIS:

The bill provides that a license must be obtained to engage in social work, clinical social work, marriage and family therapy or professional counseling. The State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapist and Professional Counselors is required to promulgate regulations to carry out the act. The professional licensure boards are designed to be self-sustaining, so any increased cost that the Board may incur will be balanced by license fees. Therefore, there is no adverse fiscal impact to the commonwealth resulting from these bills

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