

# FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council  
03/18/2003

Amendment to: SB 2253

1A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>			\$14,950		\$14,950	
<b>Expenditures</b>			\$14,950		\$14,950	
<b>Appropriations</b>						

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. **Narrative:** *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

As amended, in addition to requiring state and federal records checks, the engrossed bill requires that the actual cost of conducting the background check be paid for these services, which is \$23.

Currently the state charges a \$20 fee which is deposited in the General Fund, so any increases in workload caused by the requirement to conduct criminal record checks for specified groups or organizations are not covered by the Attorney General's appropriation for this purpose. This bill, taken by itself, does not require an additional FTE, but this and other similar bills, taken as a whole, would require additional FTE if enacted. Please refer to Senate Bill Nos. 2041 and 2223 and House Bill No. 1252, which provide for criminal records checks on certain people having direct contact with children, city and county employees, and by the Information Technology Department respectively.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

The Board of Medical Examiners estimates that it will request criminal record checks on 325 applicants for licensure or licensees annually, or 650 in the 2003-2005 biennium. Revenues, at the actual cost of conducting the background check - \$23 per check - are estimated at \$14,950 for the 2003-2005 biennium.

B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

Since the engrossed bill provides that the Board of Medical Examiners will pay the actual cost of conducting the record check, the expenditures and revenues are the same amount.

C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

No additional appropriation has been made to cover the costs anticipated by this bill.

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