## **FISCAL NOTE**

## Requested by Legislative Council 02/20/2015

Amendment to: SB 2185

1 A. 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.

	2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0		\$0		\$0	
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium
Counties	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cities	\$0	\$0	\$0
School Districts	\$0	\$0	\$0
Townships	\$0	\$0	\$0

2 A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).

SB 2185, if passed, will eliminate a financial risk exposure to the Board of Registration.

B. **Fiscal impact sections**: *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.* 

SB 2185 removes a provision that requires the Board to pay a registrant's legal fees if the registrant is the prevailing party in an appeal. The amendment to SB 2185 removes the ability for the Board to recover legal costs from a registrant who is disciplined by the Board.

- 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.

It is not possible to determine the exact effect of the amendment to this bill on the Board's revenues. The impact on revenues is dependent upon an whether the registrant enters into a stipulated agreement with the Board, requests a full hearing, appeals the Board's decision, the outcome of the appeal, the complexity of the issues, and the degree to which a registrant utilizes legal counsel.

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.

It is not possible to determine the exact effect of this bill on the Board's expenditures. The impact on expenditures is dependent upon an whether the registrant appeals the Board's decision, the outcome of the appeal, the complexity of the issues, and the degree to which a registrant utilizes legal counsel.

C. **Appropriations:** Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

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