

HB 2661 B BUDGET REPORT and MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Gelser

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Action Date: 06/29/17

Action: Do pass the B-Eng bill.

Senate Vote

Yeas: 11 - DeBoer, Devlin, Frederick, Hansell, Johnson, Manning Jr, Monroe, Roblan, Steiner Hayward, Thomsen, Winters

Nays: 1 - Girod

House Vote

Yeas: 11 - Gomberg, Holvey, Huffman, McLane, Nathanson, Rayfield, Smith G, Smith Warner, Stark, Whisnant, Williamson

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Department of Human Services

2017-19

Budget Summary

	2015-17 Legislatively Approved Budget	2017-19 Current Service Level	2017-19 Committee Recommendation	Committee Change from 2015-17 Leg. Approved	
				\$ Change	% Change
General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 57,401	\$ 57,401	
Other Funds Limited	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56,250	\$ 56,250	
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 113,651	\$ 113,651	

Position Summary

Authorized Positions	0	0	2	2
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50

Summary of Revenue Changes

House Bill 2661 requires people providing long-term care referrals to register with and pay a fee to the Department of Human Services (DHS), every two years. The bill authorizes DHS to establish an initial registration fee of \$750 and to impose civil penalties relating to the registration. DHS is also authorized to establish a renewal fee, by rule, up to \$750. The fees are expected to generate approximately \$56,520 for the 2017-19 biennium, assuming there will be 75 entities required to register with DHS.

Summary of Human Services Subcommittee Action

House Bill 2661 requires people providing long-term care referrals to register with and pay a fee to DHS, every two years. The bill establishes definitions for the industry and requires long-term care providers to meet certain requirements, to include what information must be disclosed to clients, compensation practices and sharing of client information. To register, the agents must demonstrate, to DHS, that they have met the requirements, have liability insurance and must also submit to a background check.

The Subcommittee approved a \$57,401 General Fund appropriation and \$56,250 Other Funds expenditure limitation (\$113,651 total funds) for two permanent part-time positions (0.50 FTE); one Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position and one Administrative Specialist 2 position, to implement and administer the provisions of the bill. Members noted that the mix of General Fund and fee revenue needed to adequately support the program after implementation may vary depending on the number of registered agents and level of agency effort needed to meet statutory requirements.

DETAIL OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ACTION

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DESCRIPTION	GENERAL FUND	LOTTERY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS		FEDERAL FUNDS		TOTAL ALL FUNDS	POS	FTE
			LIMITED	NONLIMITED	LIMITED	NONLIMITED			
<u>SUBCOMMITTEE ADJUSTMENTS</u>									
SCR 060-08 - Aging and People with Disabilities									
Personal Services	\$ 22,942	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	22,942	2	0.50
Services and Supplies	\$ 34,459	\$ -	\$ 56,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	90,709		
SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION	\$ 57,401	\$ -	\$ 56,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	113,651	2	0.50