

Fiscal Analysis

RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSURE



Bill/Sponsor **HOUSE BILL 4236 (S-1)**, Rep. Stephen R. Ehardt

House Committee Health Policy

Analysis

Summary

House Bill 4236 (S-1) would amend the Public Health Code to require licensure of persons engaging in the practice of providing respiratory care. An application fee of \$25 and a yearly registration fee of \$75 would be established and the collection process would be administered by the Department of Consumer and Industry Services. The bill would establish a Michigan Board of Respiratory Care and it would require the Department to prescribe continuing education requirements.

Fiscal Impact

There would be no fiscal impact by this bill to local units of government. The bill may generate approximately \$300,000 to \$350,000 annually in fee revenue. The Department claims that additional staff may be necessary to administer this new licensing function and the continuing education component. Annual expenses could range from as low as \$80,000 for 1.0 FTE and miscellaneous start-up costs, to 5 FTEs at a cost of \$300,000.

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