

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 2653

PRINTER NO. 3287

AMOUNT

\$63,953,000

FUND

General Fund
Professional Licensure Augmentation
Account Restricted Receipt Accounts

DATE INTRODUCED

June 8, 2022

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Saylor

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 2653 appropriates \$63,953,000 from the Professional Licensure Augmentation Account within the General Fund to the Department of State (department) for the operation of the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, including the State Board of Auctioneer Examiners, for Fiscal Year 2022-23. Of the funds appropriated, \$5,000,000 shall be expended for information technology costs to replace the PA Licensure System (PALS). House Bill 2653 also requires the department to provide periodic status reports on the PALS update.

The legislation also appropriates the following amounts from the restricted receipt accounts and the Athletic Commission Augmentation Account for the operation of the various licensure boards and the State Athletic Commission for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

- State Board of Medicine - \$9,398,000
- State Board of Osteopathic Medicine - \$2,651,000
- State Board of Podiatry - \$410,000
- State Athletic Commission - \$868,000

This act shall take effect July 1, 2022, or immediately, whichever is later.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 2653 will cost the Professional Licensure Augmentation Account within the General Fund \$63,953,000 in Fiscal Year 2022-23. That funding amount is an \$8,628,000 increase over FY 2021-22. The Department of State is able to accomplish the status report updates within the proposed budget and staff levels.