



FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 350

Committee: Fiscal Responsibility and
Economic Development

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Senate Bill 350 as introduced would increase the obligations of the Office of the Secretary of State (SOS) by an undetermined amount to perform all administrative functions of the new State Board of Licensure for Massage Therapists created to replace the existing Alabama Board of Massage Therapy upon its termination on September 30,2023. This bill would also require: (1) all records and property of the former Board of Massage Therapy to transfer temporarily to the Chief Examiner of Public Accounts until the membership of the new board is appointed and assumes office; (2) the Chief Examiner and the SOS to arrange for a coordinated and expedient transfer of all records and property to the SOS at the appropriate time; (3) that all administrative rules of the existing Board of Massage Therapy shall remain in effect as rules of the new board until amended or repealed; (4) all funds from the Alabama Board of Massage Therapy shall revert to the State General Fund on September 30, 2023 and for fiscal year 2024, an appropriation shall be made to the SOS from the State General Fund for the operation of the board; (5) all funds, fees, fines, charges, and collections of the board shall be deposited into a special fund for the use of the board; and (6) reduces annual maximum licensing fees and other fees and fines imposed on licensees of the board as follows:

License / Fine Type	Amount
Massage Therapist License - Initial	\$200
Massage Therapist License - Renewal (Biennial)	\$100
Establishment Initial & Renewal (Biennial)	\$100
Massage Therapy School License	\$150
Massage Therapy Instructor License	\$100
Expired License	\$75
Late Fee	\$50
Duplicate License	\$25
Administrative Fines	\$10,000- \$25,000



This bill could increase receipts to the State General Fund and municipal general funds from fines; increase receipts to the State General Fund, county general funds, municipal general funds, and other funds to which court costs are deposited; and could increase the obligations of the State General Fund, district attorneys, and local jails by an undetermined amount dependent upon the number of persons charged with and convicted of the offenses provided by this bill and the penalties imposed.