



FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 181

Committee: Health

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Senate Bill 181 as reported by the Committee on Health would allow the Alabama State Board of Respiratory Therapy to join the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact. The provisions of this bill: (1) would increase the financial obligations of the Board by an undetermined amount dependent on the amount of the annual assessment fee levied by the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact Commission on each member state to cover the costs of its operations, activities, staff, and annual budget as authorized in the compact; (2) could decrease the amount of license fees currently collected from licensed respiratory therapist with out-of-state residences who decide to become licensed in their home state and practice in Alabama under the compact privilege by an estimated \$32,600 annually; and (3) would increase receipts to the Board from fees imposed for the compact privilege by an undetermined amount dependent upon the number of licenses issued and the fee amounts set by the Board.

Further, this bill would increase the administrative obligations of the Board to submit information to the commission's licensure database as provided for by the provisions of this bill.