

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Jane Nelson, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: SB974** by Van de Putte (Relating to the regulation of the practice of dental hygiene.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for SB974, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2009.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2008	\$0
2009	\$0
2010	\$0
2011	\$0
2012	\$0

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1</i>	Probable Revenue Gain/ (Loss) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1</i>	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2007
2008	(\$30,184)	\$30,184	1.0
2009	(\$27,290)	\$27,290	1.0
2010	\$0	\$0	0.0
2011	\$0	\$0	0.0
2012	\$0	\$0	0.0

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would amend Occupations Code to provide the delegation of certain duties to a dentist, a certified registered nurse, a physician anesthesiologist, or a dental hygienist. The bill would require the Board of Dental Examiners to establish the requirements for and approve a course to train dental hygienists to administer local anesthetic agents.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

## **Methodology**

Based on information provided by the Board of Dental Examiners, this analysis assumes that the Board of Dental Examiners would have a cost associated with the implementing the provisions of the bill, which would necessitate additional resources at a cost of \$57,474 through 2009.

The Board of Dental Examiners indicates that 1.0 FTE would be needed in fiscal year 2008 and fiscal year 2009 for the increased workload which would be necessary to issue the anesthesia permit and to monitor the dental hygienists who complete the administration of local anesthetic agents training course. Based on information provided by the Board of Dental Examiners, it is assumed that costs for staff would be \$21,272 for 1.0 FTE in fiscal year 2008 and fiscal year 2009. Other operating expenses and equipment are estimated to be \$2,894 in fiscal year 2008. Estimated costs also include \$6,018 in fiscal year from 2008 and fiscal year 2009.

This analysis assumes that any increased costs resulting from the bill would be offset by an increase in fee-generated revenue.

## **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 504 Texas State Board of Dental Examiners

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