

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 4, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Stephanie Klick, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB4217** by Raymond (Relating to the Texas Funeral Service Commission.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB4217, As Introduced : a negative impact of (\$26,022) through the biennium ending August 31, 2023.

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

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<b>Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</b>
2022	(\$13,011)
2023	(\$13,011)
2024	(\$13,011)
2025	(\$13,011)
2026	(\$13,011)

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

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<b>Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from General Revenue Fund 1</b>
2022	(\$13,011)
2023	(\$13,011)
2024	(\$13,011)
2025	(\$13,011)
2026	(\$13,011)

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would change the provisional license term from a minimum of one year to a two year term. The bill would also require the Mortuary Law Exam to be re-written in consultation with the Texas Funeral Service Commission (FSC) approved third party vendor. The bill would also allow applicants from other countries to apply for licensure, and change the requirement of a duplicate license to a replacement license.

**Methodology**

According to the FSC, the provisional license term being extended by one year would result in an annual loss of approximately \$13,011.

The FSC also anticipates it will need 80 hours of re-coding the agency's database to update the license renewal automation, 80 hours annually to evaluate the validity of the exam question database, and 50 hours to update the Mortuary Law Exam Study Guide book. The agency notes that this can be completed using existing resources.

### **Technology**

The FSC anticipates it will need to re-code the agency's database in order to transform the license renewal automation to include the provisional license holders and an additional 80 hours of staff completing new tasks associated with a new licensing timeline. The agency notes that this can be completed using existing resources.

### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 360 Office Adm Hearings, 513 Funeral Service Commission

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