

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2015-16		FY 2016-17	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	26,000		26,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	26,000		26,000	

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

This bill provides for the certification of community paramedics under the Emergency Medical Services Practice Act. Community paramedic services include health assessments, chronic disease monitoring and education, medication compliance, immunizations and vaccinations, laboratory specimen collection, hospital discharge follow-up care and minor medical procedures approved by the physician medical director of the emergency medical services. Community paramedics would have to: 1) be licensed as a paramedic, 2) have two years of full-time experience and 3) have successfully completed a community paramedic program. The bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services to apply for a waiver to allow for reimbursement of community paramedic services.

The General Fund pays for the certification costs for Emergency Medical Services providers. Assuming 500 individuals seek certification as a community paramedics, the costs be \$26,000.

The application for a Medicaid waiver can be handled within existing resources. If approved, there should not be a fiscal impact. The services are currently covered. This would just increase the number of providers for those services.

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

State Agency or Political Subdivision Name:(2) Department of Health and Human Services

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	<u>FY 2015-2016</u>		<u>FY 2016-2017</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$26,000		\$26,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$26,000		\$26,000	

Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

Explanation of Estimate:

Program 178

The Fiscal Impact to the Division of Public Health would be preparation and implementation of a new license category and its training requirements. This would require adding another licensing category into the Licensing Information System. The new certification would have to pay their share of the base cost of credentialing as outlined in 38-152 along with the other licensees under the Uniform Credential Act. General Funds are appropriated by the Legislature to cover the cost of licensing for Advance Emergency Medical Services because since they not required to pay a fee for their license. There will be no additional cost for adding the new certification to the Licensing Information System. If there are 500 new certifications to be renewed annual, the base cost of credentialing (based on similar licensee numbers) would be approximately \$26,000 annually.

There is no Fiscal Impact to the Medicaid Long Term Care Division.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2015-2016	2016-2017
	POSITION TITLE	15-16	16-17	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
Operating.....			\$26,000	\$26,000
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$26,000	\$26,000