Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB1438 Patron: Durant

Bill Title: Department of Health Professions; health regulatory boards; regulations; licensure by

endorsement.

Bill Summary: Directs each health regulatory board regulated by the Department of Health Professions to enact regulations to provide a licensure by endorsement pathway for qualified applicants as practitioners of the particular profession or professions regulated by such board. The bill specifies that the Board of Medicine shall be the first health regulatory board to enact regulations to provide a licensure by endorsement pathway.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** n/a

Explanation: It is expected that any impacts can be handled with existing state resources, and there is no

conflicting language between the bill and the proposed Appropriation Act.

Fiscal Summary: Any fiscal impacts are minimal and can be absorbed with existing resources.

Fiscal Analysis: This bill requires that each health regulatory board enact regulations providing a licensure by endorsement pathway for the particular profession or professions which they regulate, beginning with the Board of Medicine. The Department of Health Professions reports that a number of their health regulatory boards have already implemented such regulations, and that any remaining actions on the part of the boards are able to be handled within existing resources.

Other: SB 1438 is a companion bill to HB 1861.