

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2026 General Assembly Session  
State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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**ORIGINAL**

**Bill Number:** HB451

**Patron:** Willett

**Bill Title:** Board of Social Work; Doctor of Social Work degree; education requirements for licensure.

**Bill Summary:** Directs the Board of Social Work to amend its regulations to specify that a Doctor of Social Work degree satisfies the education requirements for certain social work licenses.

**Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**Items Impacted:** n/a

**Fiscal Summary:** Minimal/absorbable fiscal impact.

**Fiscal Analysis:** Any time, workload, or fiscal impacts associated with amending existing regulations for the Board of Social Work are expected to be minimal and can be absorbed within existing appropriation.

**Other:** n/a