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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: **APPRENTICE EXAMINATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill creates examination and reporting requirements for electrician and plumber apprenticeships. The bill may minimally increase state revenue on an ongoing basis and increase state workload in FY 2020-21 only.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires that electrician and plumber apprentices take a license examination if they have been registered for at least six years with either the State Electrical Board or the State Plumbing Board. The bill also requires that an employer, an apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, and a state apprenticeship council recognized by the U.S. Department of Labor who employs an electrician and plumber apprentice to report to either the State Electrical Board or the State Plumbing Board on the number of practical training and classroom hours of each apprentice. Both boards must provide the information to the Department of Regulatory Agencies' online apprenticeship directory.

State Revenue

The bill may minimally increase revenue in the Department of Regulatory Agencies from disciplinary actions against apprenticeships. However, this fiscal note assumes that apprentices will comply with the provisions of this bill. Disciplinary fines and fees are subject to TABOR.

State Expenditures

The bill may result in a minimal increase in workload for the State Electrical Board and the State Plumbing Board in the Department of Regulatory Agencies to conduct outreach and education. This increase can be accomplished within existing resources and no appropriation is required.

Institutions of Higher Education. The bill may increase expenditures for institutions that employ an electrician and plumber apprentice to report to either the State Electrical Board or State Plumbing Board on the number of practical training and classroom hours of each apprentice.

TABOR refunds. The bill may minimally increase state General Fund obligations for TABOR refunds in FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22. Under current law and the December 2019 Legislative Council Staff forecast, the bill will correspondingly increase the amount refunded to taxpayers via sales tax refunds made available on income tax returns for tax years 2021 and 2022, respectively. A forecast of state revenue subject to TABOR is not available beyond FY 2021-22.

Local Government

The bill may increase expenditures for local governments that employ an electrician and plumber apprentice to report to either the State Electrical Board or State Plumbing Board on the number of practical training and classroom hours of each apprentice.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect August 5, 2020, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 6, 2020, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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