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**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Garnett; Kraft-Tharp **Bill Status:** Signed into Law
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BILL TOPIC: SUNSET REVIEW SKOLNIK MEDICAL TRANSPARENCY ACT

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018	FY 2020-21
State Revenue			
State Expenditures			Workload increase.
Appropriation Required: None.			
Future Year Impacts: None.			

Summary of Legislation

The bill adds a September 1, 2021, repeal date for the administration of the Michael Skolnik Medical Transparency Act (Skolnik Act) by the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA). Prior to the repeal, the program will undergo a sunset review.

Background

The Skolnik Act requires various health care professionals to report information regarding their licensing history, prior disciplinary action, malpractice suits, and criminal convictions. The Skolnik Act is operated by DORA under the program name "Health Professional Profile Program" (HPPP). Information about health professionals reported to DORA is publicly available through a searchable database. The HPPP is operated as a centralized program for all covered professions regulated in the Division of Professions and Occupations. Under current law, the Division of Professions and Occupations in DORA is subject to a sunset review, but not an automatic repeal, every 10 years

State Expenditures

By adding a separate sunset review for the HPPP, workload in the Office of Policy, Research, and Regulatory Reform in DORA will increase in FY 2020-21. It is assumed appropriations to DORA to conduct sunset reviews will be adjusted through the annual budget process based on the total number of sunset reviews scheduled and anticipated workload each year.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on April 14, 2016, and it became effective on August 10, 2016.

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