

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

Session 2017

Legislative Fiscal Note

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 590 (Second Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Interior Design Profession Act.

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Riddell, McElraft, Saine, and S. Martin

<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>					
(in dollars)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No Estimate Available		
<b>State Impact</b>	<b>FY 2017-18</b>	<b>FY 2018-19</b>	<b>FY 2019-20</b>	<b>FY 2020-21</b>	<b>FY 2021-22</b>
General Fund Revenues:	\$82,500	\$7,500	\$62,500	\$12,500	\$67,500
General Fund Expenditures:					
State Positions:					
<b>NET STATE IMPACT</b>	<b>\$82,500</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>	<b>\$62,500</b>	<b>\$12,500</b>	<b>\$67,500</b>

**PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:** North Carolina Department of Insurance

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act becomes effective October 1, 2017

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:**  
None

**BILL SUMMARY:**

House Bill 590 Edition 2 enacts new GS Chapter 93F (Interior Design). It defines interior design as five listed professional activities, including programming, planning, pre-design analysis, and conceptual design, including the selection of materials, furniture, fixtures, and equipment and lists eleven authorized actions and duties of registered interior designers. The bill charges the Department of Insurance (Department) with administration of the registration program.

The bill provides for expiration of registration after two years, and for renewal of registration. It sets out qualifications for registration and renewal as an interior designer, and fees that may be charged by the Department of Insurance.

**ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:**

House Bill 590 Edition 2 would allow the North Carolina Department of Insurance to collect the following fees from registered interior designers.

**List of Fees**  
**Collected by The North Carolina Department of Insurance**

	<b>Can not exceed:</b>
<b>Application Fee</b>	\$75.00
<b>Renewal Fee</b>	\$50.00
<b>Reciprocal Registration Fee</b>	\$50.00

According to the Labor and Economic Analysis Division of the North Carolina Department of Commerce, the estimated number of interior designers employed in 2016 was 1,100 individuals. Assuming they all initially applied for registration in FY 2017-18, collections for that fiscal year would be \$82,500. Since the \$50.00 renewal fee is paid every two years, FY 2018-19 would only include new or reciprocal registrations. Renewal fees would begin to be collected in FY 2019-20.

**SOURCES OF DATA:** North Carolina Department of Commerce, Moody's Analytics

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:** None

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