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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Introduced

Primary Sponsor: Sen. Brenner

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- The bill could reduce the amount of fee revenues collected by state licensing agencies. In addition, there could be administrative costs related to verifying which licensees will have their fees waived. Any impacts will depend on the number of license holders who submit verification of relocation due to the economic downturn caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Detailed Analysis

The bill requires state agencies that issue professional licenses to waive fees associated with relocation if the license holder verifies that the relocation has been necessitated by the economic downturn attributable to COVID-19 and the state of emergency. This waiver applies during the period beginning on the bill's effective date and ending six months after the date the state of emergency declared under Executive Order 2020-01D ends. This could reduce the amount of fee revenues collected, depending on the number of license holders and regulated entities whom submit verification of relocation due to the economic downturn caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, the process of determining which licensees will have their fees waived could result in additional administrative costs. The extent of these costs will vary for each board depending on the number of licensees eligible. The COVID-19 pandemic has had varied impacts on regulated trades and businesses, some of which are more vulnerable to negative economic impacts of the virus than others.