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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7949**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1613**

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 19, 1999

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Health professions standards of practice.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  **GENERAL**  
 **DEDICATED**  
 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that a determination that a health profession practitioner is unfit to practice due to professional incompetence may include a finding the practitioner undertook professional activities that the practitioner was not qualified by training or experience to undertake. This bill adds the following to the prohibited health professional standards: (1) failure to comply with an order issued by the practitioner's board; and (2) engaging in or soliciting sexual contact with the practitioner's patient.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** This bill makes modifications to health professions standards of practice. The proposal could affect revenue collected from license fees of health professionals if the modifications change the number of individuals who qualify for licenses. The overall impact is expected to be minimal. License fees collected are deposited in the State General Fund.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Health Professions Bureau

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**