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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7551
BILL NUMBER: SB 527

DATE PREPARED: Jan 28, 1999
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Master licensure of hospitals.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that a hospital licensed under Indiana law may provide health care services within the hospital without additional licensure or an additional licensure inspection by the State Department of Health (SDOH).

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill would require the State Department of Health (SDOH) to conduct one survey and provide a master license to hospitals that provide other services located within the hospital. The SDOH would be required to conduct one survey at a hospital for all services provided such as hospice and a nursing facility. Current practice is to conduct separate surveys at different times of the year. It is estimated that the SDOH will need two additional public nurse surveyors to conduct the simultaneous survey requirements. The estimated cost of salaries, fringe benefits, and indirect costs of these positions is \$74,413 in FY 2000 and \$73,761 in FY 2001. There is also an estimated cost \$17,000 for in state travel for the above employees.

The funds and resources required above could be supplied through a variety of sources, including the following: (1) Existing staff and resources not currently being used to capacity; (2) Existing staff and resources currently being used in another program; (3) Authorized, but vacant, staff positions, including those positions that would need to be reclassified; (4) Funds that, otherwise, would be reverted; or (5) New appropriations. The December 31, 1998 state manning table shows the SDOH has 99 vacancies. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend upon legislative and administrative actions.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Norma Selby, SDOH, 233-7573.