## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

### Session 2015

# **Legislative Fiscal Note**

**BILL NUMBER**: House Bill 728 (Second Edition)

**SHORT TITLE**: Amend Laws Pertaining to Chiropractic Board.

**SPONSOR(S)**: Representatives Conrad, Bryan, and Setzer

FISCAL IMPACT					
	<b>▼</b> Yes	□ No	□ No Estimate Available		
State Impact	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
General Fund Revenues:	No estimate available for civil penatly in Section 2.				
NC Chiropractic Board	Additional revneue of \$100,000 per year.				
State Positions:					
NET STATE IMPACT	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: NC Board of Chiropractic Examiners;

Administrative Office of Courts

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Section 2 of this act becomes effective December 1, 2015, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:** 

None

#### **BILL SUMMARY:**

Section 2 of H728 imposes a civil monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for violations of the chiropractic licensing laws. Section 3 increases the maximum fee the NC Board of Chiropractic Examiners may charge for annual license renewal from \$150 to \$300.

### **ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:**

Because the number of cases subject to the civil penalty is unknown, the impact of Section 2 is unknown. Civil court venue is often decided based on the monetary amount in dispute. If these cases will be heard in superior court there will be workload impact for deputy clerk, superior court judge, and court reporter positions, for an estimated cost of \$1,042 per case. If these were filed in district court there will be workload impact for deputy clerk and district court judge time, for an estimated average cost of \$395 per case. Small claims cases require deputy clerk and magistrate time, for an estimated average cost of \$149 per case.

The Chiropractic Board anticipates a fee increase of \$50 - \$60, which would amount to additional revenue of \$100,000 annually.

**SOURCES OF DATA**: NC Chiropractic Board

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS**: None

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