

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 1597

SHORT TITLE: Expand APA Oversight

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Redwine and Barefoot

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes ()	No ()	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 2000-01</u>	<u>FY 2001-02</u>	<u>FY 2002-03</u>	<u>FY 2003-04</u>	<u>FY 2004-05</u>
REVENUES					
EXPENDITURES	\$11,806	\$4,325	\$11,806	\$4,325	\$11,806
POSITIONS:					
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:	NC General Assembly				
EFFECTIVE DATE:	January 2001				

BILL SUMMARY: Expands the duties of the Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee to include consideration of bills which affect the rule-making power of an agency or otherwise amend the Administrative Procedure Act.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: If the legislation were adopted, the duties of the Committee would increase in January 2001, which is the month the General Assembly customarily convenes the Long Legislative Session. Generally, in accordance with a long-standing policy, the Speaker and President Pro Tempore have asked study groups not to meet while the General Assembly is in session, and have instructed permanent central staff not to staff meetings of commissions/committees during the legislative session. This prohibition applies to oversight committees.

If the Speaker and President Pro Tempore make an exception to this policy, the options are to assign permanent staff to the Committee during sessions or allow the Committee chairs to employ legal and clerical staff, and provide an allowance for operating costs. If the latter were to

occur, the assumption is that the Committee would follow the same schedule of meetings as the Committee that reviews Occupational Licensing Board legislation.

This assumes the Committee would meet one week per month, or approximately 6 weeks during long sessions, and approximately 2 weeks during short sessions.

The rate of compensation for legal staff would be based upon the hourly rate of \$23.75 for a Legislative Analyst II position. The current rate of compensation for clerical staff is \$601.00 per week. The allowance for operating costs would be \$2,500 for long sessions and \$1,250 for short sessions.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

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