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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Bill Number: H. 3223 Amended by the House of Representatives on April 30, 2025
Subject: Telehealth for Veterinary Services
Requestor: Senate Medical Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): Welsh
Impact Date: September 4, 2025

Fiscal Impact Summary

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This bill will have no fiscal impact on the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) or the Board of Veterinarian Examiners as LLR anticipates any additional responsibilities will be managed within existing appropriations.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

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