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Research Analysis

HB 2261, as introduced, outlines rules and procedures for a multistate Compact designed to facilitate interstate practice of Regulated Social Workers. A potential member state of the compact must meet all of the criteria listed in the measure as well as meet criteria to remain a member of the compact. The measure also outlines requirements for an individual to be eligible for a Multistate License. Nothing in this measure will affect the ability of a member state to enact and enforce laws, regulations, or other rules related to the practice of social work in that state. A licensee can only hold a multistate license in one member state at a time. The measure also outlines the power that remote states as well as home states have within the multistate compact. The measure creates a joint government agency among the Compact Member States called the Social Work Licensure Compact Commission and outlines further information on how the Commission will run. The Commission will also provide for the development, operation, and utilization of a coordinated Data System, further rules of which are included in the measure. The Commission is also responsible for promulgating rules to implement and administer the purposes and provisions of the Compact. The measure also outlines the process for termination or default of Compact membership.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2261 creates the Social Work Licensure Compact to increase access to Social Work Services across multiple states without the burden of additional licensure. The Social Work Licensure Compact Commission is the authoritative body for rulemaking and overseeing the Compact. In addition, it is responsible for expenses incurred to establish the Compact and for its ongoing activities. Therefore, in its current form, HB 2261 is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget.

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Other Considerations

None.