## **BILL SUMMARY** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 59<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Research Analysis**

House Bill 2997, as introduced, provides guidelines for licensed psychologists to prescribe psychotropic medication. The measure also specifies the eligibility criteria and requirements for obtaining a conditional prescription certificate or prescription certificate, specifies the role of a supervising physician in the prescribing of psychotropic medication, and provides guidelines for psychologists seeking to apply for such certificates.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

HB 2997 permits The State Board of Examiners of Psychologists to establish and regulate a framework of rules for application authorizing licensed psychologists to prescribe psychotropic drugs, either under the supervision of a licensed physician (conditional prescription certificate) or independently (prescription certificate). The Board is solely responsible for regulating the practice and use of certificate by approved applicants, including suspension and revocation of certificate. The State Board of Examiners of Psychologists is a non-appropriated state agency. Thus, all costs incurred to implement and regulate will be absorbed by The Board, having no direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

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