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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1069
Judiciary

(Delegate Smigiel, *et al.*)

Health Occupations - Social Workers - Authorization for an Individual to
Maintain an Action to Enjoin

This bill authorizes an individual to bring an action, in the individual's name, to enjoin the unauthorized practice of social work or other conduct that is a ground for a disciplinary action.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Authorizing individual standing to bring an action to enjoin does not materially affect State operations finances.

Local Effect: Authorizing individual standing to bring an action to enjoin does not materially affect local government operations finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Attorney General or the State's Attorney (in the name of the State), or the State Board of Social Work Examiners may bring an action to enjoin the unauthorized practice of social work or other conduct that is a ground for disciplinary action. The action must be brought in the correct jurisdiction. Proof of actual damage is not required. Any action brought is in addition to, not instead of, criminal prosecution or disciplinary action for the unauthorized practice of social work.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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