

### Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> <b>09-4612/1</b>	<b>Introduction Number</b> <b>SB-667</b>
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<b>Fiscal Effect</b>	
<b>State:</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<b>Local:</b>	
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5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
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<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>	
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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Senate Bill 667 provides for licensure and regulation of behavior analysts. It also extends current law that requires health insurance policies and self-insured governmental and school district health plans to cover a specified amount of intensive-level services and nonintensive-level services provided to an insured for the treatment of autism, Asperger's syndrome, and pervasive developmental disorder not otherwise specified as long as the treatment is prescribed by a physician and provided by a psychiatrist, a psychologist, a social worker who is licensed to practice psychotherapy, a paraprofessional working under the supervision of any of those three types of providers, a professional working under the supervision of an outpatient mental health clinic, a speech-language pathologist, or an occupational therapist. The bill provides that the insurance coverage must also apply to services provided by a licensed behavior analyst or by a paraprofessional working under the supervision of such a behavior analyst.

State fiscal effect: The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) is not involved with the licensure or regulation of behavior analysts. Therefore, there would be no state fiscal effect to the department in implementing this legislation.

Local fiscal effect: There could be an increase in costs to local school districts if the bill results in the cost of health insurance policies going up. Whether those increased costs would be picked up by the school district, the employee, or a combination of both, would likely depend on each district's compensation plan and collective bargaining agreements that are in place. A specific local fiscal effect is indeterminate.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications