## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis	2. Date	
□ Original	10/28/2019	
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) VA-18, Registered Nurse Education Stipend Program (CR 17-024)		
4. Subject Educational Assistance Program		
5. Fund Sources Affected □ GPR □ FED ⊠ PRO □ PRS □ SEG □ SEG-S	6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected 20.485(1)(gk), numeric appropriations 120, 124, and 126.	
7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule         Image: No Fiscal Effect       Increase Existing Revenues         Image: Indeterminate       Image: Decrease Existing Revenues	<ul> <li>☐ Increase Costs</li> <li>☑ Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget</li> <li>☐ Decrease Cost</li> </ul>	
8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)         State's Economy       Specific Businesses/Sectors         Local Government Units       Public Utility Rate Payers         Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)		
9. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?		
10. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule This rule would address nursing staffing shortages at the Veterans Homes at King and Union Grove skilled nursing facilities by expanding the eligibility of the educational assistance program.		
<ul> <li>11. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.</li> <li>The proposed rule will not have an effect on businesses or local governmental units. The rule was posted for 14 days on</li> </ul>		
the Department of Veterans Affairs' website for economic impact comments. No comments were received.		
12. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA. No local government units participated in the development of the EIA.		
<ol> <li>Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economyas a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)</li> <li>This rule will not have an economic or fiscal impact on specific businesses, business sectors, public utility rate payers,</li> </ol>		
local governmental units, or the State's economy as a whole.		
14. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule Implementation of this the rule allows the Department of Veterans Affairs to create a more competive recruitment environment.		
15. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule The long range implications of implementing this rule will be the increase in the number of participants applying for nursing assistant and nursing positions at the Veterans Homes at King and Union Grove, which will reduce the vacancy rate in the nursing assistant and LPN classifications, thereby reducing overtime and increasing service to the veterans at the Homes.		
16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government N/A		
17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota) Illinois offers a Nursing Education Scholarship Program but it is unrelated to employment at a veterans home or providing care for veterans. Illinois also offers a Veterans Home Nurse Loan Repayment Program, however, this program offers repayment of existing loans related to time worked at the veterans homes.		

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Iowa, Michigan, and Minnesota do not offer nursing related educational stipends, tuition reimbursement, or scholarship programs for current or prospective employees at veteran homes or skilled nursing facilities.

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## ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separatelyfor each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements

Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting

Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements

Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards

Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements

Other, describe:

4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)