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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number:	H. 4112	Introduced on April 6, 2017
Author:	Bedingfield	
Subject:	Non-Opioid Directive Form	
Requestor:	House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs	
RFA Analyst(s):	Stein	
Impact Date:	April 26, 2017	

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. The Department of Health and Environmental Control, the Board of Medical Examiners, and the Board of Pharmacy report that the additional responsibilities can be accomplished by existing staff within the agencies' budgeted resources.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill requires the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC), in consultation with the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy, to develop and publish a downloadable document form that could be used by a patient to refuse administration of an opioid drug by a practitioner. The bill requires DHEC to promulgate regulations for implementation of the voluntary non-opioid directive form. Additionally, the bill provides immunity from criminal and civil penalties for practitioners, pharmacists, and persons acting as a representative or an agent pursuant to a health care proxy. The bill also allows for professional discipline when practitioners act recklessly or negligently when failing to comply with a patient's non-opioid directive.

Department of Health and Environmental Control. The department reports that the requirement to develop and publish the new form and the promulgation of regulations can be accomplished by existing staff and within the department's appropriated resources. This bill would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

Depart of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. The department reports that assistance to the Department of Health and Environmental Control regarding the development of the new non-opioid directive form can be provided at no additional cost. Any additional work requested by DHEC can be conducted at regularly scheduled board meetings. This bill would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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