



**SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE**  
**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** H. 4384  
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**Subject:** Prescriptions for a controlled substance  
**Requestor:** House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Stein  
**Impact Date:** January 7, 2016

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
<b>State Expenditure</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
<b>State Revenue</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Expenditure</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Local Revenue</b>	N/A	N/A

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**State Expenditure**

The bill amends Section 44-53-360 related to the dispensing of Schedule II controlled substances. The bill authorizes pharmacists to dispense Schedule II controlled substances when presented with a facsimile of the original signed prescription by a resident of a community residential care facility or an assisted living facility. The bill codifies the regulatory authority allowing a pharmacist to treat a facsimile as the original if the prescription is to be dispensed to a home infusion pharmacy, a resident of a long-term care facility, or a hospice patient.

The Department of Health and Environmental Control reports that this bill would have no 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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