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**Bill Number:** H. 4600 Introduced on January 10, 2018

Author: Huggins Subject: Opioids

Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs

RFA Analyst(s): A. Martin and Wren Impact Date: January 25, 2018

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
State Expenditure		
General Fund	Pending	\$0
Other and Federal	Pending	\$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**

The expenditure impact of this bill on the General Fund, Other Funds, and Federal Funds of the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation is pending, contingent upon a response from the agency. This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control as the bill does not operationally or fiscally impact the department.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

## **Introduced on January 10, 2018 State Expenditure**

This bill authorizes a community distributor to distribute an opioid antidote to a person at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose or to a caregiver of a person at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose. The opioid antidote may be distributed pursuant to a written prescription, a standing order by a prescriber, or pursuant to a written joint protocol issued by the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy. A community distributor is defined as an organization, either public or private, which provides substance use disorder assistance and services, such as counseling, homeless services, advocacy, harm reduction, alcohol and drug screening, and treatment of individuals at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose. The Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy must issue a written joint protocol within six months of passage of this bill to authorize the distribution of an opioid antidote by a community distributor without a patient-specific written order or prescription. The Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy may appoint an advisory committee of health care professionals licensed in the state to advise and assist in the development of the joint protocol. This bill takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

**Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC).** DHEC indicates that this bill does not operationally or fiscally impact the department. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

**Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (LLR).** The expenditure impact of this bill on LLR is pending, contingent upon a response from the agency.

**State Revenue** 

N/A

**Local Expenditure** 

N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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