



SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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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: February 7, 2018 - Updated for Additional Agency Response

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	Undetermined	\$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 will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) as the bill does not operationally or fiscally impact the department.

The expenditure impact of this bill on Other Funds of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) is undetermined, due to the unknown number of advisory committee meetings, the unknown number of committee members, and their travel requirements. However, this bill will have no impact on the General Fund or Federal Funds.

This fiscal impact statement has been updated to reflect a response from LLR.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Updated for Additional Agency Response on February 7, 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, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (LLR). This bill requires the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy to issue a written joint protocol authorizing the distribution of an opioid antidote by a community distributor without a patient-specific written order or prescription. Advisory committee meetings for the purpose of issuing the joint protocol are expected to create the following Other Fund expenditures: per diem of \$35 for each member, mileage reimbursement of 53.5 cents per mile for each member, and average court reporter fees of \$2,156.15 per committee meeting. Because the number of committee members, number of meetings, and travel requirements for committee members are unknown, the annual expenditure impact on Other Funds is undetermined. This bill will have no impact on the General Fund or Federal Funds. This fiscal impact statement has been updated based on a response from LLR.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

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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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