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Bill Number: H. 4978 Introduced on February 21, 2018

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Subject: Athletic Trainers Act

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

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Impact Date: March 14, 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	\$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 will have no impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds because it does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory activities of the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC). This fiscal impact statement has been updated based on responses from DHEC.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on February 21, 2018 State Expenditure

This bill amends the definition of athletic trainer by specifying that an athletic trainer must be an allied health professional. The American Institute of Medical Sciences & Education defines allied health as health professions that fall outside the traditional rubric for doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and dentists. By this definition, athletic trainers are considered allied health professionals. Under current law, an individual must meet the curriculum requirements for a college or university athletic training program, thus satisfying the definition of allied health professional.

This bill also makes a technical correction to the name of the examination required for certification of athletic trainers, but does not alter the requirements for certification. This bill does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory activities of DHEC. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. This fiscal impact statement has been updated based on responses from DHEC.

State Revenue

This bill codifies current regulation that allows DHEC to impose civil monetary penalties for violations of the provisions set forth in the Athletic Trainers' Act of South Carolina. Therefore, this bill will have no revenue impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. This fiscal impact statement has been updated based on responses from DHEC.

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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