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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$13,425	\$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 have a non-recurring \$10,175 expenditure to the General Fund to develop a standardized form and a publicly accessible electronic registry (registry) in FY 2017-18. The bill would also have a recurring \$3,250 expenditure to the General Fund to maintain the registry, beginning in FY 2017-18.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill requires direct payment from insurers to either the EMS or non-network EMS agency for emergency medical services. The payment will be paid directly to non-network EMS agencies if the EMS agency has submitted a completed standardized form to the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) requesting non-network direct reimbursement from an insurer identified by the EMS agency. The form must be submitted to DHEC annually, by October fifteenth. The bill also requires DHEC to develop the standardized form and a publicly accessible registry to track which EMS agencies have requested non-network direct reimbursement.

Based on the expense of setting up a similar registry in the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill EMS Performance Improvement Center, the anticipated cost of setting up the publicly accessible registry is \$10,175, resulting in a non-recurring expenditure of the General Fund in FY 2017-18. Additionally, DHEC anticipates a recurring General Fund Expenditure of \$3,250, \$1,500 for annual maintenance of the registry and \$1,175 for the storage cost for the forms,

beginning in FY 2017-18. The total expenditure impact to the General Fund is \$13,425 for FY 2017-18. The additional responsibility of developing a standardized form will be managed within the current appropriations for DHEC.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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