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Bill Number: H. 3621 Introduced on January 16, 2019
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Subject: Athletic Trainers
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will have no impact on General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds expenditures of the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) because it does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory activities of the department.

This bill will have no revenue impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds from the codification of 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.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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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.

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.

Local Expenditure and Revenue

N/A

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Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director