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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 4938 Introduced on January 15, 2020
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Subject: Electronic Prescriptions
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
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Impact Date: January 24, 2020

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill creates additional exceptions to the requirements for electronic prescriptions. This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) because the agency will administer policies resulting from the bill with the use of existing staff and resources.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) because it does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory duties of the agency or its boards.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

Practitioners are required to electronically prescribe any controlled substance included in Schedules II through V, except under certain conditions. This bill creates additional exceptions to this requirement.

Department of Health and Environmental Control. Prescription monitoring falls under the administration of DHEC. The agency indicates that it will incorporate these changes using existing staff and resources. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on DHEC.

Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. Medical practitioners are licensed by the Board of Medical Examiners, which falls under the administration of LLR. The agency indicates that this bill does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory duties of the board. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on LLR.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure and Revenue

N/A

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