

SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACTS

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Bill Number: H. 4568 Introduced on January 11, 2022

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Subject: Chemically-Induced Abortions, Disclosure Requirements

Requestor: House Judiciary

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Impact Date: April 12, 2022 Updated for Additional Agency Response

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill requires a disclosure statement to be provided to a pregnant woman who is administered, dispensed, or otherwise provided mifepristone, which is the first drug used in a two-drug process to induce a chemical abortion. The disclosure statement must include specified language regarding misoprostol, which is the second drug used in a two-drug process to induce a chemical abortion.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) since it does not alter the duties or responsibilities of the agency.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) since any expenditures resulting from the additional disclosure of medical information to patients will be minimal and can be managed within existing appropriations. Further, HHS indicates that the bill will have no impact on the Medicaid program.

This impact statement has been updated to include a response from HHS.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Updated for Additional Agency Response on April 12, 2022 Introduced on January 11, 2022 State Expenditure

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Department of Health and Environmental Control. DHEC indicates that this bill does not alter the duties or responsibilities of the agency. Therefore, the bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency.

Department of Health and Human Services. HHS indicates that any expenditure impact due to the additional disclosure of medical information to patients will be minimal and can be managed within existing appropriations. Further, the agency indicates that the bill will have no impact on the Medicaid program. Therefore, the bill will have no expenditure impact on HHS.

This section of the impact statement has been updated to include a response from HHS.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

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N/A

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Department of Health and Environmental Control. DHEC indicates that this bill does not alter the duties or responsibilities of the agency. Therefore, the bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency.

Department of Health and Human Services. We have reached out to HHS to determine if this bill will have an impact on the Medicaid program. Therefore, the expenditure impact is pending, contingent upon a response.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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