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Bill Number:	H. 3891 Introduced on February 7, 2023
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Subject:	Tattoo Facilities
Requestor:	House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s):	Griffith
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill eliminates certain restrictions on tattoo facilities and artists. Additionally, the bill permits the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to issue a license to a tattoo facility within one thousand feet of a church, school, or playground if the appropriate decision-making body provides a statement declaring the organization does not object to the issuance of the license. There is no expenditure impact on DHEC because the bill requires the agency to perform duties that will be conducted in the normal course of agency business. There is also no revenue impact on Other Funds of DHEC since the agency does not anticipate a significant increase in the number of tattoo facilities seeking licensure.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill eliminates certain restrictions on tattoo facilities and artists. Additionally, the bill permits DHEC to issue a license to a tattoo facility within one thousand feet of a church, school, or playground if the appropriate decision-making body provides a statement declaring the organization does not object to the issuance of the license. DHEC indicates that the bill requires the agency to perform duties that will be conducted in the normal course of agency business. Therefore, there is no expenditure impact to DHEC.

State Revenue

This bill permits DHEC to issue a license to a tattoo facility within one thousand feet of a church, school, or playground if the appropriate decision-making body provides a statement declaring the organization does not object to the issuance of the license. There are currently 155 licensed tattoo facilities in South Carolina. Licensing fees for tattoo facilities are \$400 annually for facilities with eight or fewer work stations, plus \$50 per work station for facilities with more than eight work stations. An additional amount may be charged if necessary to cover the cost of inspection or investigation. DHEC does not anticipate the changes made by the bill to significantly increase the number of facilities that will apply for licensure. Therefore, there is no revenue impact on Other Funds of DHEC.

Local Expenditure N/A

Local Revenue N/A

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