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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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<b>Bill Number:</b>	S. 0853	Introduced on January 9, 2024
<b>Author:</b>	Davis	
<b>Subject:</b>	Laser Hair Removal	
<b>Requestor:</b>	Senate Medical Affairs	
<b>RFA Analyst(s):</b>	Wren	
<b>Impact Date:</b>	April 4, 2024 - Updated for Additional Agency Response	

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### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill enacts the Laser Hair Removal Act and specifies that only lasers approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) may be used for noninvasive procedures. The bill also specifies that laser hair removal may only be performed by a health professional and outlines the training for non-physician professionals who provide laser hair removal. Additionally, the bill requires a laser hair removal facility to be overseen by a physician and establishes proper protocol for management of the facility.

The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (LLR) indicates that the bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency, the Board of Medical Examiners, or the Board of Nursing since the bill does not alter the responsibilities of the agency or the respective boards. LLR further indicates that medical doctors, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants with appropriate training and within their written practice agreements can currently perform laser hair removal. This bill will allow a registered nurse with the appropriate training and education to perform this service without the need for a medical doctor, nurse practitioner, or physicians assistant to be on-site at the facility while laser hair removal services are being performed.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

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#### **State Expenditure**

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**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

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The expenditure impact of this bill on LLR is pending, contingent upon a response.

**State Revenue**

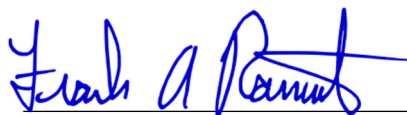
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**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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