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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 3728 Signed by Governor on May 16, 2019
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Subject: Opioid Antidote Monitoring
Requestor: House of Representatives
RFA Analyst(s): Shuford
Impact Date: May 30, 2019

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will increase one-time Federal Funds expenditures by the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) in FY 2019-20 by \$36,067 to provide access for first responders to the prescription monitoring program through an expansion of the existing emergency medical system program. Additionally, the bill will require recurring General Fund expenditures of \$7,500 beginning in FY 2019-20 to maintain functionality between the emergency medical system and the prescription monitoring program.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill requires DHEC to include and maintain information in the prescription monitoring program on the administering of opioid antidotes in a hospital emergency department or by a first responder. DHEC indicates that upgrades to the prescription monitoring program to receive this information from hospitals and first responders will increase one-time Federal Funds expenditures in FY 2019-20 by \$36,067. These expenditures will provide access for first responders to the prescription monitoring program through an expansion of the existing emergency medical system program. Additionally, the bill will require recurring General Fund expenditures of \$7,500 beginning in FY 2019-20 to maintain functionality between the emergency medical system and the prescription monitoring program. For these estimates on the additional cost of the bill requirements, DHEC relies on cost data from their current emergency medical system and prescription monitoring program vendors.

Additionally, this bill allows electronic prescriptions for controlled substances in Schedules II, III, IV, and V, provided they are dispensed by the appropriate entity. DHEC indicates that any expenditures related to the enforcement of electronic prescriptions will be managed within its existing appropriations.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure and Revenue

N/A

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Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director