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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** H. 4486 Signed by Governor on May 18, 2018  
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**Subject:** Recognition of Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure  
 Interstate Compact Act  
**Requestor:** House of Representatives  
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**Impact Date:** June 4, 2018

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	<b>FY 2018-19</b>	<b>FY 2019-20</b>
<b>State Expenditure</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
<b>State Revenue</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Expenditure</b>	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill will have no impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds, because the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) will administer policies resulting from the bill with the use of existing staff and resources.

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

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**State Expenditure**

This bill authorizes the State to join the Recognition of Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (REPLICA). The compact extends a privilege to practice in member states under authorized circumstances to Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel based on a license issued by their home state EMS office. DHEC is responsible for the licensure of EMS personnel.

Under the compact, home states must require applicants for licensure to undergo a criminal background check to include fingerprint or other biometric data checks compliant with the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI). Home states must also require applicants to pass the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) examination. Prior to joining this compact, DHEC was in compliance with both of these requirements. Therefore, this portion of the bill will have no impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

This bill establishes the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice. The commission is required to meet at least once per calendar year; however, it anticipates holding two meetings each year. Each member state will have one delegate that will attend these meetings. Delegates may attend meetings via phone or web, or in person. DHEC indicates travel costs will be managed within existing appropriations. Therefore, this requirement will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

The Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice may levy annual fees on each member state but is not required to do so. The Commission has secured a sustainable funding source and has no plans to levy an assessment now or in the future. Therefore, this section of the bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

The compact gives DHEC the right to issue subpoenas for hearings and investigations that require witness testimony or production of evidence. DHEC would be required to pay any witness fees, travel expenses, mileage, and other fees required by the service statutes of the remote state. DHEC expects the fiscal impact to be minimal, and expenditures will be managed within existing appropriations. Therefore, this bill has no impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A