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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 4802 Prefiled on December 11, 2019
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Subject: Video Surveillance for Hospitals
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill requires all facilities providing emergency care to install and maintain exterior video recording devices at their patient drop-off location as a condition for licensure. The Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) is responsible for the licensure of these facilities. This bill will have no expenditure impact on DHEC because the agency 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 requires all hospital emergency departments and free-standing emergency facilities to install and maintain exterior video recording devices at their patient drop-off location. The devices must record a clear image of the driver, passengers, and license plate of each motor vehicle dropping off a patient for emergency care. In addition, the image must display the date and time of the recording. Facilities are required to retain the video recording for at least thirty days. The bill states that each facility will be responsible for purchasing, maintaining, supplying, and monitoring the equipment.

This requirement is a condition of licensure. DHEC is responsible for the licensure of hospitals and other facilities that provide emergency care. DHEC reports that enforcement of this additional licensure requirement will be conducted by current department staff. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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