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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 4958 Introduced on February 20, 2018
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Subject: Prescriptions
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): A. Martin
Impact Date: March 7, 2018

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

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

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will have no impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds because it does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory activities of the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) or the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR).

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill allows a pharmacist to exercise his professional judgment to dispense varying quantities of a maintenance medication upon refill, unless the prescriber has specified on the prescription that dispensing the medication in an initial amount followed by periodic refills is medically necessary. The bill does not apply to any medications for which a report is required under the prescription monitoring program.

Department of Health and Environmental Control. DHEC reports that this bill does not alter the duties of the department in regard to their maintenance of the prescription monitoring program. Therefore, this bill will have no impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. LLR reports that this bill does not alter the duties of the Board of Pharmacy, LLR’s regulatory body for pharmacists. Therefore, this bill will have no impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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