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Subject:

Emergency Anaphylaxis Treatment Act

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**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

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	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$58,143	N/A
Other and Federal	N/A	N/A
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	1.05	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	N/A	N/A
Other and Federal	N/A	N/A
Local Expenditure	N/A	N/A
Local Revenue	N/A	N/A

## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill would increase General Fund expenditures by \$58,143 in FY 2015-2016. If the department is able to contract with an educational organization for training services, any fees collected would be used to offset these additional expenditures. However, since many professionals are exempt from the training requirement, demand for the training is expected to be low.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

## **State Expenditure**

House Bill 3706 amends Chapter 99, Title 44 relating to insect sting treatment by renaming the chapter the "Emergency Anaphylaxis Treatment Act" and by requiring the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to develop an epinephrine auto-injector training and certification program for individuals and entities. The bill provides program guidelines and qualifications for certification. The bill identifies individuals and entities who may obtain a written prescription for epinephrine auto-injectors and limits liability for certain individuals and entities. The bill authorizes DHEC to charge fees for the training program.

**Department of Health and Environmental Control.** The department indicates that administering this program would require 1.05 FTE positions, including a training coordinator, program coordinator, administrative assistant, and a physician. The staff would work in cooperation with a qualified training organization to design the specifics of the training program. DHEC would also establish methods to test and demonstrate competency in recognizing

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anaphylaxis and administering epinephrine auto-injectors and develop and distribute brochures describing the program to school districts, pharmacists, and other professionals. The department estimates program costs at \$58,143 annually, including \$49,243 for salaries and fringes and \$8,900 for printing and mailing descriptive brochures.

Any training fees that might be collected would be used to offset some of the cost of the program. However, it is not possible to estimate the number of individuals that would seek certification since licensed, registered, and certified physicians, nurses, and other medical professionals are exempt from this training requirement.

**State Revenue** 

N/A

**Local Expenditure** 

N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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