

## SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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**Bill Number:** H. 4327 Author: G.M. Smith

Subject: Quality Hospice Programs Act

Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs

RFA Analyst(s): Stein

Impact Date: March 14, 2016

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$109,721	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	1.07	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	Undetermined	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

#### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill is expected to increase Other Funds expenditures by \$109,721 in FY 2016-17. This bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund or Federal Funds. The increase in Other Fund fee revenue for program administration is undetermined

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

#### **State Expenditure**

This bill amends Chapter 71, Title 44 relating to the licensing of hospice facilities. The bill adds definitions and requires the Department of Health and Environmental Control to register and inspect multiple locations of licensed hospices throughout the state. The bill provides guidelines for license and registration applicants and authorizes the department to establish reasonable fees to administer the program.

The Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) estimates that this program would require the involvement of an inspector, nurse manager and program coordinator to register and annually inspect an additional 139 hospice locations. Annual operating costs are estimated at \$109,721 including salaries and fringes for 1.07 FTE positions and operating expenses in FY 2016-17. All fee revenues collected would be used to offset the expenditures.

#### **State Revenue**

This bill will increase Other Funds revenue for fees imposed by DHEC for administration of this program. The total amount of fee revenue collected will depend upon the amount of the fee, which DHEC has not determined.

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