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SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 5107 Introduced on February 5, 2020
Author: Ridgeway
Subject: Do Not Resuscitate Order
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): A. Martin
Impact Date: February 14, 2020

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill allows a parent or legal guardian of a child with a serious illness to request a “do not resuscitate order for emergency services” (DNR Order) for the child. This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) because the agency will administer policies resulting from the bill with the use of existing staff and resources.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on February 5, 2020

State Expenditure

This bill allows a parent or legal guardian of a child with a serious illness to request a DNR Order, provided they have legal authority to make medical decisions for the child. In addition, the bill defines “serious illness” as a condition which is likely to result in death within a period of twelve months or less. Currently, state law prohibits a person under the age of eighteen from requesting or receiving a DNR Order. The DNR Order form is maintained by DHEC. This bill will require DHEC to update this form online.

DHEC indicates that the requirements of this bill will be implemented using existing staff and resources. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank A. Rainwater".

Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director