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Bill Number: H. 3956 Introduced on February 23, 2021
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Subject: Rare Disease Council
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): Griffith
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will increase recurring General Fund expenditures of the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) by \$250,000. It will also increase non-recurring expenditures of DHEC by \$2,990 in FY 2021-22.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on February 23, 2021

State Expenditure

This bill establishes the South Carolina Rare Disease Advisory Council (council) within the Department of Health and Environmental Control. The council will research, conduct outreach, and develop recommendations related to rare-disease patients in the state. The department indicates that it will need one Program Coordinator II position (1.0 FTE) and one Administrative Assistant position (0.5 FTE) to support the council, for which the approximate salaries will be \$80,865 and \$27,307, respectively. Including fringe benefits, the total for the two new positions is \$117,160.

Other recurring funds include a contract with affiliate organizations to inform and support the research capacity of the council (\$100,000), training (\$25,000), and technology licenses and office supplies (\$7,840). Additionally, the department will require one-time costs of \$2,990 for computers and monitors.

Therefore, DHEC’s total recurring General Fund expenditures will increase by \$250,000, and the agency’s total non-recurring General Fund expenditures will increase by \$2,990.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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