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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** S. 0571 Amended by House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs on March 9, 2021

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**Subject:** Naloxone

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

**RFA Analyst(s):** Griffith and Coomer

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### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill requires prescribers to offer naloxone to patients under certain conditions. This bill will have no fiscal impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) or the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) because it does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory duties of the agencies.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**Amended by House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs on March 9, 2021**

#### **State Expenditure**

This bill requires prescribers to offer a prescription for naloxone hydrochloride or a similar drug for the complete or partial reversal of opioid depression if certain conditions exist. The bill adds requirements for the prescribing physician to provide education to patients. Any prescriber who fails to provide this education to a patient may be subject to discipline by the appropriate licensing board.

**Department of Health and Environmental Control.** Naloxone hydrochloride is a Schedule IV drug, which is monitored as part of DHEC's prescription monitoring program. This bill does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory duties of DHEC. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency.

**Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation.** The licensing boards for prescribers are under the regulation of LLR. This bill does not materially alter the oversight or regulatory duties of the boards. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on LLR.

#### **State Revenue**

N/A

#### **Local Expenditure and Local Revenue**

N/A

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