



**SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE**  
**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** H. 4485 Introduced on January 9, 2018  
**Author:** Henderson  
**Subject:** DHEC  
**Requestor:** House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs  
**RFA Analyst(s):** A. Martin  
**Impact Date:** January 25, 2018

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
<b>State Expenditure</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
<b>State Revenue</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Expenditure</b>	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill will have no impact to the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds because it does not materially alter the operations of the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC).

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

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**State Expenditure**

This bill codifies the current practices for departmental procedures concerning the state’s health regions. According to DHEC, health districts and advisory boards have not been operational for some time. The bill requires the department to divide the state into four health regions, each having a regional health director that will report to DHEC. These health regions will replace previously existing health districts and their advisory boards. The four health regions and their directors are currently established. Since the agency is currently in compliance with the requirements of this bill, the bill does not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

This bill also clarifies the approved modes of notification of department decisions to include certified mail, regular mail, and electronic mail. DHEC spent approximately \$145,000 on mailings last year, which equates to approximately \$5.21 per correspondence. Individual areas within DHEC are responsible for determining the mode of communication for agency decisions. Regardless of a request for an emailed response, most correspondence must be followed by a

certified letter based on legal guidelines. Therefore, the agency anticipates this portion of the bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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