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Bill Number:	S. 0517 Introduced on February 9, 2023
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Subject:	APRN Scope of Practice
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## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill allows an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) who holds a valid, full practice license to practice within the full scope of practice, which includes but is not limited to prescribing medication and controlled substances, delegation of tasks to unlicensed assistive personnel, and practicing telemedicine, among other changes.

This bill is not expected to have an expenditure impact on the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR), the Board of Medical Examiners, or the Board of Nursing since the primary function of the bill does not alter the responsibilities of the agency or respective boards. However, LLR indicates that if expenses occur to implement the provisions of the bill, the expenses can be managed with existing resources.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) since the responsibilities related to controlled substances can be conducted within the normal course of agency business.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

## Introduced on February 9, 2023 State Expenditure

This bill allows an APRN who holds a valid, full practice license to practice within the full scope of practice, which includes but is not limited to prescribing medication and controlled substances, delegation of tasks to unlicensed assistive personnel, and practicing telemedicine, among other changes. An APRN includes the professions of nurse practitioner, certified nurse-midwife, clinical nurse specialist, and certified nurse anesthetist.

**Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation.** LLR does not anticipate that this bill will have an expenditure impact on the agency, Board of Medical Examiners, or Board of Nursing since the primary function of the bill does not alter the responsibilities of the agency or respective boards. However, LLR indicates that if expenses occur to implement the provisions of the bill, the expenses can be managed with existing resources.

**Department of Health and Environmental Control.** This bill will have no expenditure impact on DHEC since the responsibilities related to controlled substances can be conducted within the normal course of agency business.

**State Revenue** N/A

**Local Expenditure** N/A

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