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Honorable Park Cannon
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SUBJECT: Fiscal Note
House Bill 454 (LC 33 6943)

Dear Representative Cannon:

This bill would require providers in any health care facility that receives state or local funds to provide certain information to patients who receive an HIV test. Patients who test positive for HIV must be informed of available treatment options, the need for follow-up testing and care, and contact information for medical and psychological services. Patients who test negative must be informed of the need for periodic testing, the limitations of testing, and the methods that prevent or reduce the risk of contracting HIV, including pre-exposure and post-exposure prophylaxis. The legislation would be repealed on June 30, 2020.

The bill will have no fiscal impact to the state. The Department of Public Health provides guidelines for health care facilities that provide testing. According to agency officials, most provisions in the legislation are included in the newest guidance and additional provisions can be added without the need for additional funding.

Sincerely,

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