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Honorable Mary Robichaux
State Representative
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SUBJECT: Fiscal Note
House Bill (LC 33 8499)

Dear Representative Robichaux:

This bill would expand the practice authority for advanced practice registered nurse. This would include authority to “order, prescribe, procure, administer, dispense, or furnish any pharmacological agent, medical device, medical treatment, diagnostic study, or radiographic imaging test.” An APRN will also have the authority to receive and dispense samples, make a pronouncement and certification of death, or sign, certify, or endorse any document currently required to be state law or rule to be performed by a physician.

The changes required by the bill would require no additional state funding. The Georgia Board of Nursing currently licenses APRNs, and its responsibilities are not changed by the bill. Expanded practice authority could possibly result in a larger number of complaints and investigations, but the likelihood and potential number cannot be estimated.

Sincerely,

Greg S. Griffin
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