



**SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE**  
**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** H. 3764  
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**Subject:** Criminal Justice Academy  
**Requestor:** House Ways and Means  
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**Impact Date:** May 11, 2016

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
<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 would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**State Expenditure**

This bill would revise the definition of a police officer to include any commissioned law enforcement personnel of the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy after July 1, 2015. These commissioned officers would be eligible to participate in the South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System.

**South Carolina Law Enforcement Division.** The agency reports that this bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**Law Enforcement Training Council.** The agency reports that this bill will have a minimal recurring expenditure impact on the General Fund due to increased employer contributions resulting from the transfer of two commissioned law enforcement officers from the South Carolina Retirement System to the Police Officers Retirement System. This cost can be absorbed within the agency's current resources.

**Public Employee Benefits Authority.** According to the Public Employee Benefits Authority (PEBA), the Criminal Justice Academy had 101 employees as of July 1, 2015. Based on the information provided by PEBA, 56 currently earn retirement benefits in the South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS) and 45 earn retirement benefits in the Police Officers Retirement

System (PORS). This proposed legislation would permit two commissioned law enforcement personnel who currently earn retirement benefits in SCRS to begin earning retirement benefits in PORS. The retirement benefits that these members have earned on SCRS would remain in SCRS or members could transfer service earned in SCRS to PORS by contributing five percent of their current compensation for each year of SCRS service they wish to transfer to PORS. Expanding membership eligibility on a prospective basis for two members will not have a material expenditure impact on the unfunded actuarial liability, funding period, or employer contribution rate.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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