

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.37**

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TO: The Honorable Larry A. Martin, Chairperson, Senate Judiciary Committee
FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board
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AUTHOR: Senator Campsen PRIMARY CODE CITE: 7-13-35
SUBJECT: Elections

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:
\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:
\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 37 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the notice of general, municipal, special, and primary elections, to change the time in which absentee ballots may be opened from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. The Bill also provides a date on which an election will be held in the event that it is postponed.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The State Election Commission indicates there is no fiscal impact with adoption of this Bill.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Pursuant to Section 2-7-76, the State Budget Division surveyed local governments to determine the fiscal impact of this Bill. Two counties reported there would be no fiscal impact and one county reported a cost of \$28,600 to hire an additional clerical assistant.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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