



SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: S. 0234 Signed by Governor on May 19, 2017
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Subject: Medical Information Confidentiality
Requestor: Senate
RFA Analyst(s): Heineman
Impact Date: May 24, 2017

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	Undetermined	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

The expenditure impact on local governments is undetermined.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

N/A

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

This bill requires the identities of patients and emergency medical technicians, as well as, information and data collected or prepared by emergency medical services to be subject to subpoena in any administrative, civil, or criminal proceeding. Further, this data may be released by court order. These provisions also apply to the confidentiality of data for the Emergency Medical Services for Children Program.

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office contacted all forty-six county governments and the Municipal Association of South Carolina. We received four responses from the surveyed counties. These counties indicate that this bill would have no impact on county governments. The Municipal Association of South Carolina indicates that the expenditure impact on municipal governments would be dependent upon the volume of requests and the amount of work involved

to release the data. Therefore, the expenditure impact of this bill on local governments is undetermined.

Local Revenue

N/A

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Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director