

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 300**

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TO:	The Honorable John E. Courson, Chairperson, Senate Education Committee		
FROM:	State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Senator Grooms	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	59-1-490
SUBJECT:	General Provisions Concerning Education		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:
A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

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

BILL SUMMARY:

This Bill would amend Article 5, Chapter 1, Title 59 of the 1976 Code of Laws, by adding Section 59-1-490 to provide that the Common Core Standards may not be imposed on South Carolina.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The State Department of Education reports that if the Common Core standards were repealed by this Bill, the Department would incur costs to develop test items for English-Language Arts and Mathematics until both standards were reviewed and updated as required by the Education Accountability Act. The Department indicates a non-recurring cost of \$6,576,000, which could be divided over two fiscal years. This estimate is based on what it cost previously to develop PASS test items using an outside vendor selected through an RFP process.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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