

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.362**

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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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SUBJECT: Textbooks

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 362 amends Section 59-31-210 of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws relating to a requirement that the State Board of Education provide textbooks to public schools by means of a rental system. The Bill allows a school district to opt out of the rental system and instead purchase the digital equivalent of a textbook and support equipment directly from vendor contracts approved by the State.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) indicates this Bill will have no fiscal impact on agency expenditures.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

SCDE indicates this Bill could have an effect on the local governments if a school district opts out of the rental system due to costs of consumables, such as science kits, currently purchased by SCDE. Because they don't know how many districts would opt out, the potential impact on local governments cannot be quantified.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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