

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.1026**

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TO:	The Honorable Robert W. "Wes" Hayes, Jr., Chairperson, Senate Banking and Insurance Committee		
FROM:	State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Senator Alexander	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	29-5-440
SUBJECT:	Contractor Payment Bonds		

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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)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 1026 amends Section 29-5-440, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to suits on contractor payment bonds, so as to provide that certain written notice required of a remote claimant must be sent by certified or registered mail, and must generally conform with statutory limits on the aggregate amount of liens filed by a sub-contractor or supplier. The Bill also provides any payment bond surety for the bonded contractor shall have the same rights and defenses of the bonded contractor, and to provide necessary definitions.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation estimates this Bill will have no fiscal impact on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

None.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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