

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 1029**

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TO: The Honorable Larry A. Martin, Chairperson, Senate Judiciary Committee
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SUBJECT: Criminal Domestic Violence (CDV)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:
See Below

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

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 1029 amends Section 16-25-20 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by increasing the penalty for a second offense of Criminal Domestic Violence (CDV) and makes it mandatory for an individual convicted of CDV offense to participate in a Domestic Violence Prevention Program. The Bill also allows the court to place restriction on an individual convicted of CDV to own a firearm or have ammunition as a condition of bond.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Corrections

The Department reports that this Bill will have a fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State due to the increased length of the sentence for the offense of CDV. Due to the increase in the sentence the agency will incur significant additional cost for housing care and security that they would not have had prior to this legislation. Due to time constraints the agency is unable to give a more accurate impact.

The Judicial Department

The Department reports that this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which the agency can absorb at their current level of funding.

Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS);

The Department of Social Services

DAODAS and DSS report enactment of this Bill would have no impact on the General Fund of the State or Federal and/or Other funds.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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