FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H.3263**

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The Honorable Leon Howard, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: SC Military Preparedness and Enhancement Act

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

See Below

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 3263 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, to enact the "South Carolina Military Preparedness and Enhancement Act". The Act would establish and provide for the membership, powers, and duties of the South Carolina Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission. The Commission shall act to enhance the value of military facilities located in the State and assist defense communities with this value enhancement and to establish the South Carolina Military Value Revolving Loan Account to assist defense communities.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The impact on the General Fund of the State with regard to establishing the Revolving Loan Account per Section 2-79-120 and appropriating funds to that account is at the General Assembly's discretion.

The Senate and the House of Representatives

The Legislature indicates there will be an additional cost associated with reimbursement for travel to Commission meetings. The cost for one Legislator per one-day meeting is estimated at \$204 per person. The cost for each non-legislator appointee per one-day meeting is estimated at \$108. It is estimated that the costs associated with Senate or House participation on the Commission would be \$1,680 annually; which will be paid from approved accounts of each respective appointing authority. [This cost assumes 1 Legislator and 2 appointees per Chamber, a 75 mile round trip commute and no more than four meetings per year. This estimate could vary depending on the distance travelled by each Legislator and appointee, and the number of required meetings held in one year.]

Department of Commerce

The Department indicates that participation and support services related to the Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission is estimated to cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000 annually.

Other Agencies

The Governors' Office and the State Budget and Control Board indicate there will be either no impact or they will use existing staff to meet the requirements of this Bill. Therefore, no additional costs should be incurred.

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