FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H. 3342, as Amended

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TO: The Honorable Larry A. Martin, Chairperson, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Bench Warrant for Failure to Appear

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:

House Bill 3342, as Amended, amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 17-15-175 which provides that a Judge may not issue a Bench Warrant for Failure to appear unless the Solicitor or Clerk of Court has provided notice to the Attorney of record before issuing the Bench Warrant.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Judicial Department indicates that this Bill will have no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:

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