# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H. 3361

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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: Domestic Abuse

## 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 3361 amends Section 20-4-60 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to orders of protection from domestic abuse. The Bill provides that a court may prohibit harm or harassment to a pet animal owned by the petitioner; and that a court may provide for temporary possession of the pet when removing the pet from the home in order to protect the animal from abuse.

## **EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

## The Judicial Department

The Department reports 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.

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