

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H. 3410**

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TO: The Honorable W. Brian White, Chairperson, House Ways and Means Committee
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SUBJECT: Regional Education Centers

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 3410 amends Chapter 1, Title 13 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Article 13 which transfers the powers and duties of the Education and Economic Development Coordinating Council relating to regional education centers (established under Sections 59-59-170 and -180) to the Department of Commerce. The Bill requires the Departments of Employment and Workforce, State Board for Technical & Comprehensive Education, and the Commission on Higher Education to assist the Department of Commerce in planning and promoting the objectives of the Centers. The Bill provides guidelines for cooperation and guidelines for operating the Centers.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Commerce

The Department reports that this Bill would have no additional impact on the General Fund of the State since there is currently an appropriation at the State Department of Education for these centers. It is assumed that this funding will be transferred to the Department of Commerce.

State Department of Education

Commission on Higher Education

State Board for Technical & Comprehensive Education

These Agencies indicate this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

Department of Employment and Workforce

The Agency has been forwarded a copy of the Bill, but to date, has not submitted impact of the proposed Bill.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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