FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H. 3827

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TO: The Honorable Nelson L. Harwick, Chairperson, House Agriculture, Natural Resources and

Environmental Affairs Committee

FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Contested decisions of the Department of Health & Environmental Control

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 3827, as amended by the House Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee, amends Section 44-1-60 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by transferring the responsibility of adjudicating appeals of decisions made by the Department of Health & Environmental Control to the Administrative Law Court.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Health & Environmental Control (DHEC)

The Department reports that this Bill would have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds. While the Bill relieves the DHEC Board from the responsibility of adjudicating appeals of decisions of the Department, the agency would still have to prepare a defense of its decision when called before the Administrative Law Court in any contested decision. Preparation would involve the same time, research and review procedures as before.

Administrative Law Court

The Agency 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:

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None.

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