

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H. 3858**

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TO:	The Honorable Phillip D. Owens, Chairperson, House Education and Public Works Committee		
FROM:	State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Electronic Communications Devices		

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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)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

House Bill 3858 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Sections 56-5-3890 and 56-5-3897 which makes it illegal for an individual to use an Electronic Communication Device while driving a Motor Vehicle under certain circumstances. The Bill also provides penalties for violations of these regulations and also provides for the distribution of the monies collected from fines associated with the violations of these regulations.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Department of Public Safety 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:**

Pursuant to Section 2-7-76, the State Budget Division surveyed local governments to assess the impact of this Bill. One county responded and indicated the impact of this Bill would be minimal.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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