

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H. 4386**

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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:	Use of Cell Phones while Driving		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 4386 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Sections 56-5-3890 and 56-5-3897, which make it unlawful for anyone to use a communication device while driving a motor vehicle and provides penalties for such offense. The Bill also amends Section 56-1-720 which would assign points against an individual's license should they be ticketed for texting while driving.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Public Safety

Department of Motor Vehicles

The Departments indicates this Bill will have no or minimal fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed at the agency's current level of funding.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Pursuant to Section 2-7-76 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, the State Budget Division has surveyed members of the FIST Network. The responses will be forwarded upon receipt.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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