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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 4939 As signed by the Governor on June 5, 2016
Author: Education and Public Works Committee
Subject: Committee to review all existing state education statutes
Requestor: House of Representatives
RFA Analyst(s): Fulmer
Impact Date: December 13, 2016

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill as amended would have no expenditure impact to the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Explanation of Amendment by the Senate on May 12, 2016

State Expenditure

The bill as amended establishes a four-member committee to identify all statutes in Title 59 that are obsolete or no longer applicable. The committee, composed of an appointee by the State Superintendent of Education, the Executive Director of the Education Oversight Committee, the Chairman of the House Education and Public Works Committee, and the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, is required to report its findings to the General Assembly by December 31, 2016. The report must also identify all federal education statutes and regulations with which South Carolina must comply and determine, with assistance from the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, the total cost of the state's compliance.

The bill as amended further requires the State Department of Education (SDE) to develop a system for providing services and technical assistance to districts that includes academic assistance and assistance with finances. SDE must report the design of the system to the General Assembly by not later than December 31, 2016. Annually thereafter, SDE is required to report the progress of the system regarding assistance provided to districts and the impact of that assistance on student academic achievement and high school graduation rates. In addition, the bill as amended requires SDE to monitor: (a) the professional development of teachers, staff, and

administrators in underperforming districts to determine what improvements are necessary in accordance with the Education Accountability Act, and (b) the operation of school boards in those districts to determine if they are operating efficiently and effectively.

While SDE is currently developing a system to meet the December 31st deadline, the department estimates an expenditure impact of \$300,000 for two time limited positions, including operating expenses and related travel, to provide the financial technical assistance to do intensive interventions within identified districts. The expenditure will be managed within the State Department of Education's existing resources. SDE is using existing staff to monitor professional development in underperforming districts and to create a system for monitoring school board efficiency and effectiveness.

The Senate, House of Representatives, State Department of Education and Education Oversight Committee indicate the expenses of their appointees to the committee, such as mileage, per diem, and subsistence, can be absorbed within current appropriations. The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office will assist the committee, as requested, using existing resources who conduct financial impact analysis.

There is no expenditure impact to Federal Funds or Other Funds.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

Explanation of Bill Filed February 11, 2016

State Expenditure

This bill establishes a committee to review all existing state education statutes and report to the General Assembly those statutes that are obsolete. In addition, it requires the State Department of Education (SDE) to develop a system for providing services and technical assistance to districts on a regional basis. SDE will monitor the professional development of teachers, staff, and administrators in districts it determines are underperforming as well as the operations of the school boards in order to determine if they are operating efficiently and effectively.

The Senate, the House of Representatives, State Department of Education, and Education Oversight Committee indicate that expenses such as mileage, per diem, and subsistence can be absorbed within current appropriations. There is no expenditure impact to Federal Funds or Other Funds.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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