

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 150**

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TO: The Honorable Larry A. Martin, Chairperson, Senate Judiciary Committee
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SUBJECT: No Parole Offenses

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:
A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:
\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 150 amends Section 24-13-100 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by expanding the definition of a “no parole offense” to include all classified felonies and the Class A and B misdemeanor. This Bill would increase the number of individuals who would be included in the “no parole offenses”.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Corrections

The Department indicates that this Bill will have impact on the General Fund of the State due to the increase in the average yearly impact population. If the Bill passes, the Department states that their annual inmate population would increase by 640 new inmates until it reached its five year total of 3,200 inmates. The Department states that this potential increase for this Bill could be as high as 5,000 new inmates. The total potential cost was not provided due to the short turnaround time for this impact request. The current average daily cost per inmate is \$47.58, of which \$41.85 is State General Fund.

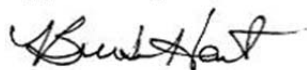
Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services (PPP)

The Department indicates that this Bill will have a fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State of approximately \$1,684,346 over a five year implementation period. The agency would have to add additional staff to maintain their 1:93 ratios of agents to offenders managed. Once the implementation is complete PPP would have added 42.00 New FTE's at a personal service cost/fringe of \$1,634,346 with operational cost of \$50,000 for a total of \$1,684,346.

Judicial Department

The Department indicates that this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which the agency can absorb at their current level of funding.

Approved by:



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