# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **\$.277**

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TO: The Honorable Thomas C. Alexander, Chairperson, Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry

Committee

FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Music Therapy Practice Act

#### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

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

## ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

## **BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 277 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Chapter 85 to Title 40 so as to enact the "Music Therapy Practice Act" to regulate the practice of music therapy, to provide certain definitions, and to create the South Carolina Board of Music Therapy.

## **EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation estimates this Bill will have a minimal fiscal impact on the agency's Other Funds. All costs can be absorbed.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

## **SPECIAL NOTES:**

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None.

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