REVISED FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 525**

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TO: The Honorable Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr., Chairperson, Senate Finance Committee

FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board

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AUTHOR: Senator Campbell PRIMARY CODE CITE: 13-1-390

SUBJECT: Clean Energy Industry Manufacturing Market Development and Tax Credits

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 525 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 13-1-390 which creates the Clean Energy Industry Manufacturing Market Development Advisory Council within the Department of Commerce; and amends Sections 12-6-3588 and -3600 by increasing the levels of investment needed to qualify for specified tax incentives designed to attract and encourage the development of "clean" energy industries within the state.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Commerce (revised)

The Department estimates that support and operating expenses for the Advisory Council would require 1.00 Program Coordinator II and approximately \$200,000 per year. The estimate includes \$60,000 for salary and fringes; \$30,000 for operating costs; and \$110,000 to contract for the specialized research and analysis needed to develop annual reports and industry development recommendations.

Department of Revenue

State Budget and Control Board

The Agencies indicate a minimal impact which can be absorbed within existing resources.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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The italicized portion of this impact indicates the items that have been revised. For this impact, the revised constitutes information that was not available in the original impact.

Approved by:

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