FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 635

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TO: The Honorable George E. "Chip" Campsen, Chairperson, Senate Fish, Game, and Forestry

Committee

FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Non-discrimination against wood products in bids for major facility project

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

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

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

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

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 635 amends Chapter 23, Title 48 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to energy-efficiency building standards, by adding Section 48-23-300. The Bill declares that a "major facility project" requesting third-party certification shall not be allowed to seek a rating point that would discriminate against SC wood products derived from lands certified by the Sustainable Forestry Initiative or the American Tree Farm System.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Forestry Commission

The Commission reports that this Bill would have no impact on the agency's operational costs. There is no impact on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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None.

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