FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 831**
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TO:	The Honorable Michael L. Fair, Chairperson, Senate Corrections and Penology Committee
FROM:	State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board
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AUTHOR:	Senator Fair PRIMARY CODE CITE: 24-21-1400
SUBJECT:	Licensing of Electronic Monitoring Vendors

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 831 amends the Chapter 21, Title 24 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976 by adding Article 14 which authorizes the Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services to promulgate regulations for the licensing of Electronic Monitoring Vendors. The Bill also provides for the powers and duties of the agency to develop guidelines and criteria for the use of electronic monitoring, data storage and contracting of vendors.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:
The Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services
The Department indicates that enactment of this Bill will have a fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State of approximately $86,670 in personal service/employer contributions for 2.00 new State FTE's (Program Coordinator I and Applications Analyst). The agency stated that the application and annual renewal fees collected from the vendors will only cover the program's other operating expenses and will not be sufficient to cover the cost of the new 2 FTE positions.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:
The State Budget Division surveyed counties to assess the impact of this Bill. One county responded and indicated there would be no fiscal impact with the adoption of this Bill.

SPECIAL NOTES:
The Board of Economic Advisors is the appropriate entity to address any revenue impact associated with this Bill.

Approved by:

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