

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 869**

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TO:	The Honorable Larry A. Martin, Chairperson, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Senator Jackson	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	16-25-300
SUBJECT:	Dating Violence		

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:  
See Below

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

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 869 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Article 3, to Chapter 25 of Title 16 entitled "Dating Violence" and defines the terms and creates the offense of dating violence and provides penalties.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Department of Corrections

The Department reports that this Bill will have a fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State due to the new offense of Dating Violence. Due to new offense and sentence length, the agency will incur significant additional cost for housing care and security that they would not have had prior to this legislation. Due to time constraints the agency is unable to give a more accurate impact.

The Judicial Department

The Department reports 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.


**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

None.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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