

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.988**

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TO:	The Honorable Larry A. Martin, Chairperson, Senate Judiciary Committee		
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SUBJECT:	Geodetic Survey		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost of Federal and/or Other Funds (See Below)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 988 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the duties of the South Carolina Geodetic Survey (SCGS) with respect to determining county boundaries. This Bill authorizes and directs the SCGS to clarify county boundaries and mediate boundary disputes between counties by providing a procedure allowing the SCGS administratively to adjust county boundaries. Additionally, the Bill provides that affected parties may appeal these adjustments to the Administrative Law Court in a de novo hearing, and it provides the method of determining the effective date of these administrative county boundary adjustments and the notice requirements for these adjustments to be effective.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

State Budget and Control Board

The Board indicates that the office of SCGS fiscal impact will continue to use existing resources to implement the provisions of this Bill, which will take a number of years to complete.

The Administrative Law Court

The Court 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.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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