FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S.997

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TO: The Honorable Harvey S. Peeler, Jr., Chairperson, Senate Medical Affairs Committee

FROM: State Budget Division, Budget and Control Board

ANALYSTS: Stephen Gardner

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AUTHOR: Senator Jackson PRIMARY CODE CITE: 40-67-20

SUBJECT: Speech Pathologist and Audiologist

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 997 amends Section 40-67-20, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to definitions in the Speech Pathologists and Audiologists Practice Act, so as to add, revise, and delete definitions. The Bill also amends Section 40-67-50, relating to licensure fees, so as to add, revise, and delete fees. Furthermore, the Bill amends Sections 40-67-220 and 40-67-260 relating to licensure requirements and annual audits of licensure records that the Board may conduct. Finally, the Bill amends Section 40-67-280, relating to activation of an inactive license, so as to require submission of a form developed and provided by the Board.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation estimates this Bill will have no fiscal impact on the State General Fund or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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

Approved by:

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