

# SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT (803)734-0640 • RFA.SC.GOV/IMPACTS

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**Bill Number:** S. 0126 Introduced on January 10, 2017

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Subject: Alli's Law - Responsible Alcohol Server Education

Requestor: Senate Judiciary

RFA Analyst(s): Kokolis, Gardner and Wren

Impact Date: February 6, 2017

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	Pending	\$0
Other and Federal	Pending	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	3.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	Undetermined	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill will have a recurring expenditure impact of \$225,000 to the General Fund beginning in FY 2017-18 for the Department of Revenue (DOR) to hire three FTEs and five temporary employees to administer the new program. The expenditure impact on the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division is pending, contingent upon a response from the agency. This bill will have no expenditure impact on Federal Funds. This bill will have an undetermined revenue impact to the General Fund.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

### Introduced on January 10, 2017 State Expenditure

This bill prohibits an individual from being employed as a manager or server on a premises licensed or permitted for the sale of alcohol on or off the premises unless and until the individual obtains a server permit. If a permittee or licensee is a manager or server on the permitted or licensed premises, then the permittee or licensee must also complete an approved training program for responsible alcohol service and obtain a server permit. The director of DOR is authorized to approve training programs offered by providers. Each permittee or licensee shall maintain copies of the server permits of the permittee or licensee, each manager, and each server then employed by the permittee or licensee on premises. Failure to produce a permit shall subject the permittee or licensee to fines and penalties. The DOR director shall issue a server permit to each applicant that completes an approved responsible alcohol server education program. The department may charge a fee for the issuance of the server permit. Suspension or revocation of

servicer permits and subsequent completion of training for a new permit are required for servers who sell, service, transfer, or dispense beer, wine, or alcoholic liquors to persons under the age of twenty-one years. Suspension or revocation of server permits is required for serving intoxicated persons.

**Department of Revenue.** The department indicates this bill will have an expenditure impact of \$225,000 to the General Fund to hire three FTEs and five temporary employees to administer the new requirements.

**State Law Enforcement Division.** The expenditure impact is pending, contingent upon a response from the agency.

#### **State Revenue**

This bill authorizes DOR to charge an unspecified fee for the issuance of alcohol server permits. The permits are valid for a period of 2 years. Based upon data provided by DOR, we estimate 35,000 servers in South Carolina. However, since the fee for the issuance of the alcohol server permit is not specified, the revenue generated from the fee is undetermined. Since the bill does not state the allocation of the revenue derived from the alcohol server permit fee, Proviso 117.1 of the FY 2016-17 Appropriations Act, directs the revenue to the General Fund.

**Local Expenditure** 

N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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