

# SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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H. 5105 Introduced on February 15, 2024 **Bill Number:** 

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Subject: **Technical College Credits** 

House Education and Public Works Requestor:

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Impact Date: February 29, 2024

## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill requires the SC Technical College System (Tech System), in conjunction with the SC Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA), to adopt a policy applicable to all technical college area commissions that recognizes and awards credentials and college credit for courses and experiences completed in the military as recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE).

This bill will have no impact on DVA, as the agency indicates the requirements of the bill will be managed with existing staff and appropriations. We anticipate that this bill will similarly have no impact on the Tech System; however, we will update this fiscal impact statement if information is received from the Tech System indicating a potential impact as a result of this bill.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

## **Introduced on February 15, 2024 State Expenditure**

This bill requires the Tech System, in conjunction with DVA, to adopt a policy applicable to all technical college area commissions that recognizes and awards credentials and college credit for courses and experiences completed in the military as recommended by ACE. These courses or experiences, as recommended by ACE, may qualify for exemption credit at state technical colleges. The bill states that the policy must provide that the Joint Service Transcripts or similar service-specific documentation must be reviewed to determine eligibility.

DVA indicates that the requirements of this bill will be managed with existing staff and appropriations, and therefore, this bill will have no impact on DVA. We anticipate that this bill will similarly have no impact on the Tech System; however, we will update this fiscal impact statement if information is received from the Tech System indicating a potential impact as a result of the bill.

### **State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure** N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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