

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

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S. 0361

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Senate Banking and Insurance

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Subject:

**Automobile Insurance Rate Reductions** 

RFA Analyst(s):

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**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	N/A
Other and Federal	\$0	N/A
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	N/A	N/A
Other and Federal	N/A	N/A
Local Expenditure	N/A	N/A
Local Revenue	N/A	N/A

## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

The Department of Insurance and Department of Transportation report that this bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

### State Expenditure

Senate Bill 361 requires private automobile insurers to offer a discounted premium rate to non-youthful operators who successfully complete a driver training course approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles. The bill reduces the number of classroom hours required in training courses from six to four. The bill allows each insurer to determine the amount of the discount based on certain criteria and specifies that the discount must be granted for a three-year period.

The Department of Insurance reports that this bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. Additionally, this bill is not expected to significantly reduce the insurance premium tax revenue remitted to the General Fund.

The Department of Transportation reports that this bill would have minimal or no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. It would require some changes to internal policies and procedures.

#### State Revenue

N/A

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**Local Expenditure** N/A

**Local Revenue** N/A

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