

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

**Bill Number:** S. 1136 Author: Malloy

Subject: Juvenile Offenders Under the Age of Eighteen

Requestor: Senate Judiciary
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**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$31,342,753	\$12,152,182
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This joint resolution proposes a constitutional amendment which can be included on the ballot at the next general election without any additional cost. If, however, the proposed amendment is approved by the voters and ratified by the next General Assembly, the General Fund expenditures by the Department of Juvenile Justice is estimated to increase by \$31,342,753 in FY 2016-17 and \$12,152,182 in FY 2017-18 and each year thereafter.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

## **State Expenditure**

This constitutional amendment proposes to amend Section 3, Article XII of the Constitution of this state to require that the General Assembly provide for the separate confinement of juvenile offenders under the age of eighteen rather than seventeen. This amendment will be submitted to qualified electors at the next general election for representatives.

**Department of Juvenile Justice.** The agency reports that this constitutional amendment would, if approved and ratified, increase General Fund expenditures by \$12,152,182 in recurring funds and \$19,190,571 in non-recurring funds in FY 2016-17. There will be no expenditure impact on Federal or Other Funds. Recurring funds will be used for additional operating expenditures and to add 248 new FTEs to manage the increased youth population. Non-recurring funds will be used to construct two completely separate juvenile detention centers to accommodate approximately 328 seventeen year old adult offenders. Nonrecurring funds will also be used to construct an additional male living unit at the agency's Broad River Road Complex to house

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approximately 29 seventeen year olds currently incarcerated at the South Carolina Department of Corrections.

**State Election Commission.** The Commission indicates that this constitutional amendment will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**Department of Corrections.** The expenditure impact from this constitutional amendment is pending, contingent upon a response from the agency.

**State Revenue** 

N/A

**Local Expenditure** 

N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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