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Bill Number:	S. 1141
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Subject:	Teen Dating Violence Prevention Act
Requestor:	Senate Judiciary
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Impact Date:	April 18, 2016

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
State Expenditure		
General Fund	See Below	\$0
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

Senate Bill 1141 will have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, but the amount is undetermined at this time due to the lack of empirical data. It is not expected to have an expenditure impact on Federal Funds or Other Funds.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

State Expenditure

This bill creates the Teen Dating Violence Prevention Act, establishes necessary definitions related to teen dating violence, establishes the offense of teen dating violence, provides for penalties pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Domestic Violence Act, enables victims to seek orders of protection or restraining orders under certain circumstances, and prohibits violators of these provisions from participating in pretrial intervention programs. The bill also amends the Comprehensive Health Education Program to require the inclusion of teen dating violence education in the comprehensive health education curriculum.

Department of Corrections. The agency reports that the expenditure impact of this bill is undetermined due to the lack of empirical data related to both the prevalence of teen dating violence offenses, patterns of arrests, convictions, and sentences. As the bill establishes new offenses with imprisonment penalties, the agency expects increased admissions to the prison population, which will have an expenditure impact on the General Fund.

The Judicial Department. The Department indicates that this legislation may increase the number of hearings or trials in Circuit and Family Courts; however, the Department anticipates

that any expenditure impact to the General Fund would be absorbed within current appropriations.

Department of Juvenile Justice, Commission on Prosecution Coordination, State Department of Education and South Carolina Educational Television. These agencies report that this bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office contacted twenty-three county governments regarding the expenditure impact of this bill and received no responses. Although no responses were received from the surveyed counties, we do not anticipate that this bill will have an expenditure impact on county governments.

Local Revenue N/A

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