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Bill Number:	S. 0796 Introduced on January 9, 2018	
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Subject:	Sestercentennial of the American Revolution in SC	
Requestor:	Senate General	
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Impact Date:	January 25, 2018	

FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20		
See Below	\$0		
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Estimate of Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill is permissive in nature and may assign new responsibilities to either the Department of Archives and History or the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. For discussion purposes, this fiscal impact statement examines two options for staffing this program, which are discussed below. This bill does not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds for the Senate or the House of Representatives.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 9, 2018 State Expenditure

This bill would create a South Carolina Sestercentennial Commission, to provide for the observance of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution in South Carolina. The commission would consist of thirteen persons. Members of the commission will be compensated for their expenses, the total amount not to exceed \$15,000 per year for the entire commission. The bill outlines that working staff will consist of the staffs of the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism (PRT) and the Department of Archives and History (DAH), and that any persons hired or any funds appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the policies and programs of the commission will be placed in one of the two departments.

Since this bill is permissive and provides discretion to both DAH and PRT in determining the number of new staff hired and the cost and location of their work spaces, this fiscal impact statement examines two staffing options for this commission. Each option outlined yields a

different expenditure estimate using the assumption that each department will be solely responsible for the activities of the commission.

Option 1- Department of Archives and History (DAH). In the event that DAH is the sole entity responsible for the planning and execution of a proper observance of the Sestercentennial of the American Revolution in South Carolina, the agency indicates that General Fund expenses will total \$62,037. Of this total, expenditures of \$60,037 for salary and benefits for one Administrative Specialist and \$2,000 per year for space, equipment, and supplies would begin in FY 2018-19. Other new duties, such as the management of commission funds, will be managed within existing appropriations.

Option 2- Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT). If PRT is the sole department responsible for the planning and execution of a proper observance of the Sestercentennial of the American Revolution in South Carolina, the department anticipates that new duties will be managed by existing staff. In this case, the bill does not have an impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

House of Representatives and Senate. This resolution creates a commission that consists of thirteen persons. Three persons will be from the House of Representatives and three will be from the Senate. Each member will receive per diem of \$35, subsistence of \$195.53, and mileage for each meeting on non-session days, totaling \$1,383.18 per meeting on non-session days, plus mileage. These expenses will be managed within the budgets of the appointees' respective legislative bodies. Additionally, the staffing for this committee will be provided by the General Assembly and will be managed with existing staff and within existing appropriations. Therefore, the bill does not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds for the Senate or the House of Representatives.

State Revenue N/A

Local Expenditure N/A

Local Revenue N/A

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