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Bill Number:	H. 3576 Introduced on January 15, 2019
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Subject:	SC Workforce Industry Needs Scholarship (SC WINS), established
Requestor:	House Ways and Means
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Fiscal Impact Summary

The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon additional information from the State Board of Technical and Comprehensive Education (SBTCE).

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 15, 2019 State Expenditure

This bill establishes South Carolina Workforce Industry Needs Scholarship (SC WINS). This scholarship will be available to students majoring in a critical workforce area program at a twoyear public technical college. In addition, the student must also be receiving a Lottery Tuition Assistance Program Scholarship (LTAP). LTAP recipients must be legal residents of the state and be enrolled as degree-seeking students in a minimum of six credit hours. LTAP recipients may not receive the HOPE, LIFE, or Palmetto Fellows Scholarship in addition to LTAP.

The SBTCE will be responsible for defining what constitutes a critical workforce program area. The board annually will communicate with high school guidance counselors regarding the list of majors that qualify for this scholarship. The list of qualifying majors must be reviewed at least every five years and adjusted as needed. Changes to the list of programs must be ratified by the South Carolina Coordinating Council for Workforce Development (CCWD).

The SC WINS scholarship is equal to the remaining cost of attendance after applying all other scholarships or grants. However, the scholarship may not exceed \$2,500 each school year. In addition, each student will receive a \$300 book allowance each year, for a maximum total of \$2,800 per student each year. Each student may receive the scholarship for no more than three years of instruction.

The State Board of Technical and Comprehensive Education (SBTCE) has provided an initial expenditure impact of \$17,000,000. However, we have requested additional information as to what is involved in this expenditure.

State Revenue N/A

Local Expenditure and Revenue

N/A

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