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Bill Number:	H.3079	Introduced on January 12, 2021
Author:	Collins	
Subject:	High Quality Childcare	
Requestor:	House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs	
RFA Analyst(s):	Payne, Coomer, Williams, and Wren	
Impact Date:	January 28, 2021	

Fiscal Impact Summary

Department of Social Services. This bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of the Department of Social Services (DSS), as they will be able to perform the duties assigned in the bill using existing resources.

Office of First Steps to School Readiness. This bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of the Office of First Steps to School Readiness, as they will be able to perform the duties assigned in the bill using existing resources.

Department of Commerce. The Department of Commerce indicates this bill may have an undetermined expenditure impact if they are asked to provide funding for studies by the study committee, but otherwise expects to be able to manage any expenses of performing the duties of this bill using existing resources.

Senate. This bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of the Senate, as they will be able to perform the duties assigned in the bill using existing resources.

House of Representatives. This bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of the House of Representatives, as they will be able to perform the duties assigned in the bill using existing resources.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill creates a study committee who shall examine the availability of high-quality childcare in this State and recommend policies to support the development of more widely accessible high-quality providers throughout the State. The committee shall be led by the Department of Social Services and the Office of First Steps to School Readiness, in collaboration with the Department of Commerce and South Carolina Chamber of Commerce. In total, the committee shall have eleven members. The bill does not allow committee members to receive per diem, mileage, or other forms of compensation generally provided to members of a committee.

Department of Social Services. This bill creates a study committee which must be co-led by DSS, to examine the availability of high-quality childcare in this State. The Executive Director or their designee shall be a member of the eleven-member committee. DSS indicates they will be able to manage the duties created by this bill with their existing appropriations. Therefore, this bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of DSS.

Office of First Steps to School Readiness. This bill creates a study committee which must be co-led by SC First Steps, to examine the availability of high-quality childcare in this State. The Executive Director or their designee shall be a member of the eleven-member committee. SC First Steps indicates they will be able to manage the duties created by this bill with their existing appropriations. Therefore, this bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of SC First Steps.

Department of Commerce. This bill creates a study committee and requires the Secretary of Commerce or his designee to serve as a member of the committee. Because members of the study committee serve without per diem, mileage, or other compensation generally provided to members of boards and commissions, this provision is not expected to have an impact on the expenditures of the Department of Commerce. However, if the organizations that collaborate with the study committee are required to fund any research projects related to this committee, an undetermined expenditure would occur. Therefore, this bill may have an undetermined fiscal impact on the department's expenditures.

Senate. This bill creates a study committee and requires two members of the Senate to serve as members on the committee. Because members of the study committee serve without per diem, mileage, or other compensation generally provided to members of boards and commissions, this provision is not expected to have an impact on the expenditures of the Senate. Therefore, this bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of the Senate.

House of Representatives. This bill creates a study committee and requires two members of the House to serve as members on the committee. Because members of the study committee serve without per diem, mileage, or other compensation generally provided to members of boards and commissions, this provision is not expected to have an impact on the expenditures of the House. Therefore, this bill will not have an expenditure impact on the General Funds, Federal Funds, or Other Funds of the House.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure & Revenue

N/A



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