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Bill Number: S. 0200 Introduced on January 12, 2021

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Subject: Death by Electrocution or Lethal Injection

Requestor: Senate Corrections and Penology

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Impact Date: January 26, 2021

Fiscal Impact Summary

The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from the Department of Corrections.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 12, 2021 State Expenditure

This bill provides that a person who has been convicted of a capital crime and given the death penalty may choose as his means of death electrocution or, if it is available at the time of election, lethal injection. The bill also provides that the death penalty election of a convicted person who receives a stay of execution or whose execution date has passed will expire and must be renewed in writing fourteen days before a new execution date is established. The director of the South Carolina Department of Corrections (SCDC) must determine and certify under penalty of perjury to the Supreme Court whether the method selected is available. Persons convicted of a capital crime and sentenced to death prior to the effective date of the bill will be required to sign and date a form that must be witnessed by two persons not in the custody of SCDC and must be notarized.

Department of Corrections. The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from the department.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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