



SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
 (803)734-3780 • RFA.SC.GOV/IMPACTS

This fiscal impact statement is produced in compliance with the South Carolina Code of Laws and House and Senate rules. The focus of the analysis is on governmental expenditure and revenue impacts and may not provide a comprehensive summary of the legislation.

Bill Number: S. 0287 Introduced on January 12, 2021
Author: Gambrell
Subject: Fingerprint Criminal Record Checks
Requestor: Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry
RFA Analyst(s): Coomer and Gardner
Impact Date: January 26, 2021

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill adds both a state and national criminal records check to the list of requirements that the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) can enforce for the licensure of physical therapists and physical therapy assistants. The bill will have no expenditure impact on LLR as the duties required under the bill will be managed within the normal course of agency business.

The fiscal impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from SLED.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 12, 2021

State Expenditure

This bill adds both a state and national criminal records check to the list of requirements that LLR may require for the licensure of physical therapists and physical therapy assistants.

Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. This bill adds that LLR may require physical therapists and physical therapy assistants to have a background check performed and submitted, at the expense of the applicant, with their applications for licensure. These operations can be conducted with existing staff and resources. Therefore, there will be no expenditure impact to LLR.

State Law Enforcement Division. The expenditure impact of this bill on SLED is pending, contingent upon a response from the agency.

State Revenue

This bill may increase the number of state criminal records checks that SLED is required to perform. Pursuant to Section 23-3-115(A), revenue generated by state criminal records checks performed by SLED up to an amount of \$4,461,000 must be deposited in the General Fund. Any revenue over that amount is retained by SLED. The revenue impact of this bill on the General Fund and the Other Funds of SLED is pending, contingent upon a response from the agency.

Local Expenditure & Revenue

N/A

Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director