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Bill Number:	S. 0991	Introduced on January 19, 2022
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Subject:	Candidates	
Requestor:	Senate Judiciary	
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill specifies a person may not file a statement of intention of candidacy nor qualify as a candidate in any primary, special, or general election if he has outstanding debt to the South Carolina State Ethics Commission, House of Representatives Ethics Committee, or the Senate Ethics Committee.

This bill will have no expenditure impact for the House of Representatives, Senate, the State Ethics Commission, nor the State Election Commission as all anticipate being able to manage any additional responsibilities with existing staff and within existing appropriations.

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office (RFA) anticipates this bill will have no revenue impact because, despite the potential shift in timing of when the debt is collected, this bill will not alter the amount of revenue collected.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 19, 2022 State Expenditure

This bill specifies a person may not file a statement of intention of candidacy nor qualify as a candidate in any primary, special, or general election if he has outstanding debt to the South Carolina State Ethics Commission, House of Representatives Ethics Committee, or the Senate Ethics Committee. If this person appears on the ballot, without first resolving the debt, the appropriate elections official must not certify the candidate.

The House of Representatives, Senate, the State Ethics Commission, and the State Election Commission anticipate being able to handle the additional responsibilities of this bill with existing staff and within existing appropriations. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact.

State Revenue

This bill specifies a person may not file a statement of intention of candidacy nor qualify as a candidate in any primary, special, or general election if he has outstanding debt to the South

Carolina State Ethics Commission, House of Representatives Ethics Committee, or the Senate Ethics Committee.

This bill may result in the shift in timing of the collection of debt by the South Carolina State Ethics Commission, House of Representatives Ethics Committee, or the Senate Ethics Committee as potential candidates may be motivated to settle their debt more quickly due to this bill. However, RFA anticipates that, despite the potential shift in timing, this bill will not alter the amount of revenue collected. Therefore, this bill will have no revenue impact.

Local Expenditure N/A

Local Revenue N/A

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