

SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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H. 4867 Introduced on January 17, 2024 **Bill Number:**

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Subject: Telecommunicator CPR Training Law

House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs Requestor:

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Impact Date: February 12, 2024

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill requires all 911 telecommunicators providing dispatch for emergency medical conditions to be trained in high-quality telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation (T-CPR) beginning January 1, 2025. All agencies employing 911 telecommunicators will be responsible for providing this training. The bill further requires the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA) to establish a procedure for monitoring adherence by telecommunicators and their employing agencies and penalizing agencies for noncompliance. The bill specifies that 911 telecommunicators who have completed the training will not be liable for any civil damages for any personal injury arising from the provision of CPR instructions to 911 callers.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the SCCJA. The bill requires the department to perform activities that will be conducted in the normal course of business.

The overall expenditure impact of this bill on local governments is undetermined due to the number of responses received and may vary depending upon the training currently required for 911 telecommunicators in each locality. A small number of responding counties indicate that this bill will have no expenditure impact since they already provide the required training. The Municipal Association of South Carolina (MASC) indicates that the expenditure impact of this bill will vary depending upon the training and certification methods currently required for 911 telecommunicators in each locality and whether the bill is implemented in a manner that requires a one-time T-CPR training or ongoing renewal of the T-CPR training with continuing education requirements.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 17, 2024 State Expenditure

This bill requires all 911 telecommunicators providing dispatch for emergency medical conditions to be trained in high-quality T-CPR beginning January 1, 2025. The training must include recognition protocols for out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, compression-only CPR instruction for callers, and continuous education. All agencies employing 911 telecommunicators will be responsible for providing this training. The bill further requires the SCCJA to establish a

procedure for monitoring adherence by telecommunicators and their employing agencies and penalizing agencies for noncompliance. The bill specifies that 911 telecommunicators who have completed the training will not be liable for any civil damages for any personal injury arising from the provision of CPR instructions to 911 callers.

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

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Local Revenue

N/A

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