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Bill Number: S. 0841 Introduced on January 9, 2024
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Subject: Prosecutors Personal Privacy Protection Act
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill establishes the Prosecutors Personal Privacy Protection Act. Under the bill, personal contact information of a prosecutor held or maintained by any state or local governing entity must not be disclosed to the public if the prosecutor has filed a formal request with the entity. The bill tasks the Commission on Prosecution Coordination (CPC) with creating and distributing a form to prosecutors in the state to be used to request the restriction of the public access or posting of personal contact information by state or local government entities.

This bill will have no impact on CPC as the commission indicates the creation and distribution of the form to be used by eligible prosecutors to restrict public access to personal information will be managed with existing staff and appropriations.

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office (RFA) previously contacted all state agencies, counties, and the Municipal Association of South Carolina (MASC) regarding the classification of personal information at the request of an eligible party. Based on the significant number of responses received, RFA anticipates this bill will have no state or local expenditure impact because all agencies and governing entities will be able to confidentially maintain any prosecutor's personal information protected by the bill using existing resources.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 9, 2024

State Expenditure

This bill establishes the Prosecutors Personal Privacy Protection Act. Under the bill, personal contact information of a prosecutor held or maintained by any state or local governing entity must not be disclosed to the public if the prosecutor has filed a formal request with the entity. The bill defines personal contact information, prosecutors that are eligible to submit this request, and certain exemptions to the restriction requirement. The bill tasks CPC with creating and distributing a form to prosecutors in the state to be used to request the restriction of the public access or posting of personal contact information by state or local government entities.

CPC indicates that the creation and distribution of a form to be used by eligible prosecutors to restrict public access to personal information under the bill will be managed with existing staff and appropriations. Therefore, this bill will have no impact on CPC.

RFA previously contacted all state agencies, counties, and MASC regarding the classification of personal information at the request of an eligible party. Based on the significant number of responses received, RFA anticipates this bill will have no state expenditure impact because all agencies will be able to confidentially maintain any prosecutor's personal information protected by this bill using existing resources.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

This bill establishes the Prosecutors Personal Privacy Protection Act. Under the bill, personal contact information of a prosecutor held or maintained by any state or local governing entity must not be disclosed to the public if the prosecutor has filed a formal request with the entity. The bill defines personal contact information, prosecutors that are eligible to submit this request, and certain exemptions to the classification requirement.

RFA previously contacted all state agencies, counties, and MASC regarding the classification of personal information at the request of an eligible party. Based on the significant number of responses received, RFA anticipates this bill will have no local expenditure impact because all governing entities will be able to confidentially maintain any prosecutor's personal information protected by this bill using existing resources.

Local Revenue

N/A



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