

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

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S. 0968 Amended by Senate Transportation on February 27, 2024 **Bill Number:**

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Subject: Drivers License Blood Type

Senate Transportation Requestor:

Griffith RFA Analyst(s):

Impact Date: February 28, 2024

Fiscal Impact Summary

This amended bill allows an applicant for a driver's license or permit to voluntarily disclose his or her blood type on a form prescribed by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) with a certification from a physician or medical provider. Blood type must be indicated by a symbol designated by DMV on the driver's license and contained in the driver's record. The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office (RFA) anticipates that DMV can manage the provisions of the bill within existing appropriations. We will update this impact statement if the agency provides a different response.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Amended by Senate Transportation on February 27, 2024 **State Expenditure**

This amended bill allows an applicant for a driver's license or permit to voluntarily disclose his or her blood type on a form prescribed by DMV with a certification from a physician or medical provider. Blood type must be indicated by a symbol designated by DMV on the driver's license and contained in the driver's record. The bill excludes notation of blood type from the maximum of three permanent medical conditions that the motor vehicle record of a driver may contain. Additionally, the bill specifies entities that may have access to a driver's blood type and prohibits the sale or disclosure of this information pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. The bill further specifies that no cause of action may arise nor may liability be imposed against any person, government entity, or government entity officer, agent, or employee arising from any action taken by any person in reliance upon an inaccurate blood type indicated on a person's driver's license or driver's record when the license holder, physician, or medical provider provided the inaccurate blood type on the forms. RFA anticipates that DMV can manage the provisions of the bill within existing appropriations. We will update this impact statement if the agency provides a different response.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

Introduced on January 17, 2024 State Expenditure

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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