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Bill Number:	H. 3305 Introduced on January 14, 2025
Subject:	South Carolina Public Expression Protection Act
Requestor:	House Judiciary
RFA Analyst(s):	Gardner
Impact Date:	March 4, 2025

Fiscal Impact Summary

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State Revenue
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