



SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE

STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Bill Number:	H. 4296	Introduced on April 3, 2025
Subject:	Military Code	
Requestor:	Senate Family and Veterans Services	
RFA Analyst(s):	Gardner	
Impact Date:	May 5, 2025	

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill revises the State Military Code. The bill also adds that the Adjutant General may use the method as provided in Section 42-7-70 related to workers' compensation premiums for the civilian employees of his agency and for members of the South Carolina National Guard (SCNG) and State Guard during those periods in which they perform duties relating to a request under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact or similar authority where the costs may be borne by the requesting state, and, with the approval of the State Accident Fund Director, he also may do so as to the department's military members in active service of the State. Absent such agreement between the Adjutant General and the State Accident Fund Director, calculation of premiums for the Adjutant General's Office must exclude losses arising out of service as a member of the South Carolina State and National Guard.

The Office of the Adjutant General reports this bill will have no expenditure impact because the agencies will administer policies resulting from the bill with the use of existing staff and resources.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on April 3, 2025

State Expenditure

This bill revises the State Military Code and amends provisions related to the State Accident Fund. The bill removes the following from the State Military Code: a reference to the U.S. Army as related to other military forces serving in South Carolina, certain age requirements for SCNG appointments of commissioned and warrant officers, references to federal property as related to annual settlements for military property, and a requirement that units are entitled to certain maintenance fund allowances. The bill also adds that the Adjutant General may use the method as provided in Section 42-7-70 related to workers' compensation premiums for the civilian employees of his agency and for members of the SCNG and State Guard during those periods in which they perform duties relating to a request under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact or similar authority where the costs may be borne by the requesting state, and, with the approval of the State Accident Fund Director, he also may do so as to the department's military members in active service of the State. Absent such agreement between the Adjutant General and the State Accident Fund Director, calculation of premiums for the

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In addition, the bill repeals the following sections of law:

Section 25-1-360: Rules and regulations

Section 25-1-380: Assistant Adjutant General for Army; additional Assistant Adjutant General for South Carolina Army National Guard

Section 25-1-390: Assistant Adjutant General for Air

Section 25-1-410: Audit and allowance of department expenses

Section 25-1-560: Publication of relative rank list of officers

Section 25-1-580: Officer in command of subordinate or detached unit or different units on duty together

Section 25-1-810: Promotions under Federal Personnel Act

Section 25-1-830: Officer selection boards

Section 25-1-860: Vacancy in staff of headquarters and headquarters detachment

Section 25-1-870: Vacancy in grade of major general

Section 25-1-880: Vacancy in grade of brigadier general

Section 25-1-890: Vacancy in grade of colonel

Section 25-1-930: Vacancy in grade of warrant officers

Section 25-1-1350: Requirements for sharing in appropriations

Section 25-1-3105: Members of military forces to serve at pleasure of adjutant general

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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