



# SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE

## STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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<b>Bill Number:</b>	S. 0270	Introduced on January 28, 2025
<b>Subject:</b>	Attempted Murder	
<b>Requestor:</b>	Senate Judiciary	
<b>RFA Analyst(s):</b>	Gardner	
<b>Impact Date:</b>	March 4, 2025	

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### Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill redefines the offense of attempted murder to mean an unlawful act of a violent nature that causes injury to another when the act is committed with malice, either expressed or implied. The bill also expands the penalty schedule to provide that each violation is punishable by a separate term of imprisonment for not more than thirty years, no part of which may be suspended nor probation granted.

This bill may impact the caseload in circuit court and potentially the number of incarcerations, which may increase the workload of the court system and the Commission of Indigent Defense, the Commission on Prosecution Coordination, the Department of Corrections (Corrections), and the Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services (PPP). Judicial indicates that the impact in the caseload in circuit court is expected to be managed within existing appropriations. However, if this bill results in a significant increase in the caseload additional General Fund appropriations may be requested. The potential increase in expenses for each agency will depend upon the increase in the number of cases and number of incarcerations. These agencies indicate that if this bill results in a significant increase in the workload, then an increase in General Fund appropriations may be requested. Additionally, the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) reports the bill will have no expenditure impact since it does not require the agency to perform duties outside the normal course of business. For information, according to Corrections, in FY 2023-24, the annual total cost per inmate was \$40,429, of which \$36,553 was state funded.

### Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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##### State Expenditure

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**State Revenue**

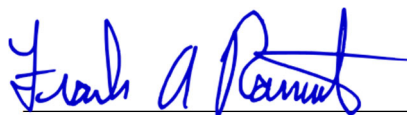
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**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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