

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

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Bill Number: S. 0449 Introduced on March 13, 2025

Subject: Collaborative Practice Agreements

Requestor: Senate Medical Affairs

RFA Analyst(s): Welsh

Impact Date: April 2, 2025

Fiscal Impact Summary

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Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

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N/A

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