



# SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE

## STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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**Bill Number:** S. 0508 Amended by Senate Finance on March 18, 2026  
**Subject:** Monument and Memorial Protection  
**Requestor:** Senate Finance  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Jolliff  
**Impact Date:** April 1, 2026

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### Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill amends current law regarding the protection of certain monuments and memorials. The bill as amended specifies that no historical monument or memorial erected on public property of the State or any political subdivisions may be relocated. The bill specifies that any person, firm, group, corporation or other legal entity has the right to bring a civil action to prevent or redress a violation of this section, including injunctive relief, declaratory relief and the recovery of damages, for the cost of restoration and repair of any damaged or destroyed monument or memorial, including attorney's fees and court costs.

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### Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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**State Revenue**

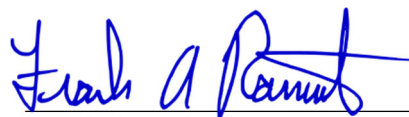
N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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