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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Bill Number: S. 0718 Introduced on January 13, 2026
Subject: Removal of People from Vehicle Park
Requestor: Senate Family and Veterans Services
RFA Analyst(s): Bryant
Impact Date: January 27, 2026

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill provides the conditions under which an operator of a recreational vehicle park may have a transient guest of the park removed and provides guidelines for the removal of the guest. Any guest who remains or attempts to remain in the park after being requested to leave is subject to a misdemeanor and must pay a fine not to exceed \$300 or imprisonment for not more than thirty days or both.

The expenditure impact of this bill on Judicial is pending, contingent upon a response.

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office (RFA) contacted all counties in the state and the Municipal Association of South Carolina (MASC) regarding the expenditure impact of this bill and received a response from six counties. Charleston County, Clarendon County, Dorchester County, Florence County, and Lancaster County indicate that the bill will have no expenditure impact. Horry County indicates that it can manage the provisions of the bill with existing resources.

This bill may result in an increase in the number of cases heard in municipal court and potentially the number of imprisonments at local jails due to the new misdemeanor. The potential increase in local expenses will depend upon the increase in the number of cases and number of imprisonments.

This bill may result in a change in the fines and fees collected in court. Court fines and fees are distributed to the General Fund, Other Funds, and local funds. Therefore, RFA anticipates this bill may result in a change to local revenue due to the change in fines and fees collections in court.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill provides the conditions under which an operator of a recreational vehicle park may have a transient guest of the park removed. The bill specifies that any guest who remains or attempts to remain in the park after being requested to leave commits a misdemeanor and must be punished by a fine not to exceed three hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than

thirty days; or both. Further, the bill specifies that if any person is illegally on the premises of any recreational vehicle park, the operator of the park may call upon any law enforcement officer of this State for assistance. It is the duty of law enforcement officers, upon the request of an operator, to remove from the premises or place under arrest any guest who, according to the park operator, violated the provisions of the bill. If a warrant has been issued by the proper judicial officer for the arrest of any guest who violates the provisions of the bill, then the officer shall serve the warrant, and the guest is considered to have abandoned or given up any right to occupy the premises of the recreational vehicle park.

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

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