

South Carolina Board of Economic Advisors

Statement of Estimated State Revenue Impact

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Bill Number: S. B. 314

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Committee Requesting Impact: Senate Judiciary

Bill Summary

A bill to amend Chapter 1, Title 14 of the 1976 Code, relating to misdemeanor traffic offenses and nontraffic violations, by adding Section [14-1-240](#), to impose an additional five dollar surcharge on all fines, forfeitures, escheatments, or other monetary penalties for misdemeanor traffic offenses or for nontraffic violations, and to provide that the surcharge shall be used to fund training at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA).

REVENUE IMPACT ^{1/}

This bill would have no net impact on revenues currently allocated to SCCJA on into FY 2009-10 and thereafter. Also, the bill would have no impact on state General Fund revenue.

Explanation

This bill puts into permanent statutory law the temporary \$5 surcharge assessed in this State on judgments for misdemeanor traffic offenses or nontraffic violations in general sessions, magistrates or municipal courts during FY 2008-09, pursuant to Part 1B Proviso 90.11 of Act 310 of 2008. No portion of the surcharge may be waived, reduced, or suspended. All proceeds are to be credited to the S. C. Criminal Justice Academy (SCCJA) to fund training.

Since the bill merely makes permanent certain provisions under temporary law, it would have no net impact on allocations of surcharge revenues to the SCCJA on into FY 2009-10 and thereafter. Since no revenue from this surcharge currently goes to the state's General Fund, adoption of the bill would have no impact on General Fund revenue in FY 2009-10 and thereafter.

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^{1/} This statement meets revenue impact requirements of Section 2-7-71 for a state impact by BEA, Section 2-7-76 for a local impact or Section 6-1-85(B) for an estimate of the shift in local property tax incidence by Office of Economic Research (OER).