



**SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE**  
**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** H. 4683 Introduced on January 24, 2018  
**Author:** Hewitt  
**Subject:** Beachfront Management Reform Act  
**Requestor:** House Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Environmental Affairs  
**RFA Analyst(s):** A. Martin and Gardner  
**Impact Date:** February 14, 2018

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	<b>FY 2018-19</b>	<b>FY 2019-20</b>
<b>State Expenditure</b>		
General Fund	Pending	\$0
Other and Federal	Pending	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
<b>State Revenue</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Expenditure</b>	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC).

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**Introduced on January 24, 2018**

**State Expenditure**

This bill updates terms and conditions for establishing two beachfront jurisdictional lines: the coastal baseline and setback lines. This bill removes the restriction that the baseline may not move seaward of its current position on December 31, 2017. This bill stipulates that new baselines and setback lines must be established no later than December 31, 2023. DHEC must reestablish all baselines and setback lines in existence as of January 31, 2012. Current law requires DHEC to establish and review the baseline and setback lines every seven to ten years. DHEC completed its most recent review and proposed changes in October 2017. DHEC will begin to adopt final revised beachfront jurisdictional lines in May 2018.

This bill also modifies the appeals process for decisions made by DHEC concerning jurisdictional lines. Currently, a landowner may request a review of the jurisdictional lines affecting his personal property for a fee of \$100. Current law stipulates that decisions arising from this review conference are to be mailed to the landowner or his representative, but does not specify postal class. This bill specifies that review conference decisions are to be mailed by certified mail.

**Department of Health and Environmental Control.** This bill requires DHEC to establish new baseline and setback lines no later than December 31, 2023. This bill also requires all decisions made concerning the review of jurisdictional lines be sent by certified mail. The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from DHEC.

**Administrative Law Court.** The agency reports that the implementation of this bill creates no new requirements for the agency. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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