



**SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE**  
**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** S. 0359 Introduced on February 7, 2017  
**Author:** Cromer  
**Subject:** Unfair Trade Practices for Mother Fuel Retailers  
**Requestor:** Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Gable  
**Impact Date:** March 7, 2017

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	<b>FY 2017-18</b>	<b>FY 2018-19</b>
<b>State Expenditure</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$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**

This bill would have no expenditure or revenue impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

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**State Expenditure**

This bill gives the responsibility for keeping records related to any investigation of a possible violation of §39-5-325 et seq., the unfair trade practice for retailers of motor fuel, solely to the Attorney General’s Office by no longer requiring the Department of Consumer Affairs (department) to do so. There are few complaints associated with this section. According to the department, no complaints have occurred since 2015, and only 54 complaints were received between 2001 and 2015. The record keeping on these few investigations requires only a minimal amount of time by staff and no additional expense. Therefore, placing the record keeping responsibility solely on the AG’s office would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds for either agency.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure and Revenue**

N/A

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