

SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Introduced on January 12, 2021 **Bill Number:** H. 3264

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Subject: County Conventions, Required Notice

Senate Judiciary Requestor:

RFA Analyst(s): Miller

Impact Date: March 17, 2021

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will result in no expenditure savings for local governing entities, as the current cost of publishing the public notice in a local newspaper is the responsibility of the political parties.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 12, 2021 State Expenditure

N/A

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

This bill strikes the language that requires a public notice be printed in a local newspaper for all county conventions for reorganization and reconvened county conventions to nominate candidates. Currently, a notice for both such conventions must be published at least once a week for two weeks within the three weeks prior to the convention in a newspaper with general circulation within the county. This bill eliminates this publication requirement. This bill may result in a minimal savings to political parties as they will no longer have to pay any publication fee for the printed notice. This bill will result in no expenditure impact to local governing entities as the as the cost of publishing the public notice in a local newspaper is currently the responsibility of the political parties.

Local Revenue

N/A

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