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| Bill Number:    | Н. 3271                | Introduced on January 12, 2021 |
|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Author:         | Henderson-Myers        |                                |
| Subject:        | Name Change, Petitions |                                |
| Requestor:      | Senate Judiciary       |                                |
| RFA Analyst(s): | Gardner                |                                |
| Impact Date:    | April 13, 2            | 2022                           |

## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill establishes a six month residency requirement for a name change in South Carolina.

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office (RFA) anticipates any change to the Family Court docket due to the potential change in the number of petitions for a name change can be managed within existing appropriations. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

Introduced on January 12, 2021 State Expenditure N/A

State Revenue N/A

## Local Expenditure

This bill establishes a six month residency requirement for a name change in South Carolina. A petition for a name change is presented in family court. According to Judicial, in FY 2020-21 there were a total of 1,783 overall case filings for name changes, but they are unable to estimate what impact, if any, this bill will have on the number of petitions that may be filed. RFA anticipates any change in the number of petitions filed in family court due to this bill can be managed within existing appropriations. Therefore, this bill will have no local expenditure impact.

Local Revenue N/A

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