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**Bill Number:** H. 3353 Introduced on January 12, 2021

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Subject: Teacher Credentialing Requirements Study Committee

Requestor: House Education and Public Works

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Impact Date: March 2, 2021

## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

the analysis is on governmental expenditure and revenue impacts and may not provide a comprehensive summary of the legislation.

This bill creates a study committee to examine teacher credentialing requirements. The committee's membership is as follows: two members from the Senate, two members from the House of Representatives, two education scholars, and three parents of public school students. This bill will have no expenditure impact because the Senate and House of Representatives have indicated that supporting this study committee can be accomplished using existing appropriations and staff.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

## Introduced on January 12, 2021 State Expenditure

This bill would create a study committee to examine the teacher credentialing requirements in South Carolina. The study committee would recommend policies to support the development of higher standards for teacher credentialing, as well as make teachers with such credentials available in areas of need. The Senate Education Committee and the House Education and Public Works Committee will provide appropriate staffing for the study committee. In addition to designees from the House of Representatives and the Senate, this committee requires two early childhood education, elementary education, or secondary education scholars or faculty members from institutions of higher learning, as well as three parents of public school students appointed by the Governor. Members of the committee shall serve without per diem, mileage, or other compensation generally provided to members of boards and commissions. The committee will prepare a report and distribute any findings to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2022.

House of Representatives and Senate. This bill would require two members of the House of Representatives, as appointed by the Chair of the House Education and Public Works Committee, to serve as two of nine required members of the study committee. The House of Representatives has indicated they will be able to accomplish the duties specified in this bill using existing appropriations and staff. It would also require two members of the Senate, as appointed by the Chair of the Senate Education Committee, to serve as two of nine required members of the study committee. The Senate has indicated they will be able to accomplish the duties specified in this bill using existing appropriations and staff.

**State Revenue** 

N/A

**Local Expenditure** 

N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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