

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

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Bill Number: H. 3089 Introduced on January 14, 2025

Subject: Medical Billing

Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs

RFA Analyst(s): Welsh

Impact Date: January 30, 2025

Fiscal Impact Summary

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

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N/A

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