



# SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE

## STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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**Bill Number:** H. 3798 Introduced on January 28, 2025  
**Subject:** Military Chaplains  
**Requestor:** House Judiciary  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Gardner  
**Impact Date:** February 4, 2025

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### Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill adds certain criteria for military chaplains serving in the National Guard, organized militia not in the National Guard service, or unorganized militia. This bill also specifies that military chaplains possess privileged communication with all militia members, authorized dependents, and authorized personnel as defined by each militia class.

The Office of the Adjutant General reports this bill will have no expenditure impact because the South Carolina Military Department will administer policies resulting from the bill with the use of existing staff and resources.

### Explanation of Fiscal Impact

#### Introduced on January 28, 2025

##### State Expenditure

This bill requires military chaplains serving in the National Guard, organized militia not in the National Guard service, or unorganized militia to be properly ordained and endorsed for military service by an accredited agency or organization. This bill also specifies that a military chaplain possess privileged communication with all militia members, authorized dependents, and authorized personnel.

The Office of the Adjutant General reports this bill will have no expenditure impact because the South Carolina Military Department will administer policies resulting from the bill with the use of existing staff and resources.

##### State Revenue

N/A

##### Local Expenditure

N/A

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N/A

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