



**SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE**  
**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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Bill Number: H. 3646  
 Author: Burns  
 Requestor: Senate Medical Affairs  
 Date: April 28, 2015  
 Subject: Soil-based On-site Disposal Systems  
 RFA Analyst(s): Stein and Wren

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**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	<b>FY 2015-16</b>	<b>FY 2016-17</b>
<b>State Expenditure</b>		
General Fund	\$0	N/A
Other and Federal	\$0	N/A
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
<b>State Revenue</b>		
General Fund	N/A	N/A
Other and Federal	N/A	N/A
<b>Local Expenditure</b>	Minimal	N/A
<b>Local Revenue</b>	N/A	N/A

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill is not expected to have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

This bill is not expected to have an expenditure impact on municipal governments. The expenditure impact on county governments is expected to be minimal.

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**State Expenditure**

House Bill 3646 amends Chapter 55, Title 44 relating to passive soil-based on-site wastewater or sewage disposal (PSOD) systems for single-family dwellings. The bill would allow non-gravity based systems to be used and expands the application of PSOD systems to larger community, cluster, and commercial wastewater systems lacking access to centralized treatment facilities. The bill addresses installation standards and requires, in Section 44-55-1350, the Department of Health and Environmental Control to promulgate regulations for tile field products so as to include the new non-gravity and expanded service area allowances. The bill repeals Section 44-55-1340 dealing with financial assurances from PSOD system manufacturers and declares that once regulations are approved Sections 44-55-1310 through 44-55-1330 are repealed.

**Department of Health and Environmental Control.** The department indicates that this bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

**State Revenue**


N/A

**Local Expenditure**

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office contacted the Municipal Association of South Carolina and twenty-three county governments regarding the expenditure impact of this bill. We received responses from the Municipal Association and two county governments. The Municipal Association reports this bill will have no impact on municipal governments. Cherokee County indicates that this bill could create additional expenses for training but could not provide an estimate on the costs. Clarendon County reports that this bill would have no impact on their operations. Therefore, based on the responses received from the counties surveyed, we estimate a minimal expenditure impact on county governments.

**Local Revenue**

N/A

  
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