

# SOUTH CAROLINA REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT (803)734-0640 • RFA.SC.GOV/IMPACTS

**Bill Number:** S. 448 Introduced on February 21, 2017

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Subject: Child Fatality and Near Fatality Information Release

Requestor: Senate General

RFA Analyst(s): Shuford

Impact Date: March 1, 2017

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact** 

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	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

#### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

Authorization to disclose information on child abuse or neglect cases and investigations, which result in child fatalities or near fatalities, would not materially alter the Department of Social Services' oversight or administrative activities. Therefore, the bill would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

### **Introduced on February 21, 2017 State Expenditure**

This bill authorizes the Department of Social Services (DSS) to disclose specific information about unfounded cases of child abuse or neglect that resulted in a child fatality or near fatality. Similar release authorization is provided to DSS for information entered into the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect on the results of investigations concerning fatalities or near fatalities of children.

DSS indicates that the release authorizations allowed in this bill will assist in the State's eligibility for grants under the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act as reauthorized in 2010. The bill amends requirements on the release of information by DSS, which will not materially alter the department's oversight or administrative activities. Therefore, the bill would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

#### **State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure** 

N/A

**Local Revenue** 

N/A

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