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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** S. 1033    Introduced on February 1, 2022  
**Author:** Kimbrell  
**Subject:** County Veterans' Affairs, Secretary  
**Requestor:** Senate Family and Veterans Services  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Gallagher  
**Impact Date:** March 23, 2022 Updated for Additional Agency Response

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### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill amends Sections 25-11-50 and 25-11-60 to specifically allow the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs (Secretary) to require monthly reports from county veterans' affairs officers (CVAOs) to analyze metrics of veterans' care across the state. These reports must be provided within five days of the initial request. This bill further stipulates that CVAOs provide a copy of their semiannual report to the Secretary as well.

This bill will have no expenditure impact to the Department of Veterans Affairs (department) as the department can fulfill the requirements of this bill using current appropriations and staff.

This bill will have no expenditure impact to local county veterans' affairs offices, as the department purchased claims management software for use by local offices in FY 2020-21 to generate the county-level data that would be requested in these reports.

*The expenditure impact of this bill has been updated following responses from counties.*

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**Updated for Additional Agency Responses on March 23, 2022**  
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#### **State Expenditure**

This bill amends Sections 25-11-50 and 25-11-60 to specifically allow the Secretary to require monthly reports from CVAOs to analyze metrics of veterans' care across the state. These reports must be provided within five days of the initial request. This bill further stipulates that CVAOs provide a copy of their semiannual report to the Secretary as well.

The department indicates this bill will not have an expenditure impact to the agency, as they can fulfill the requirements of this bill using current appropriations and staff.

#### **State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

This bill amends Sections 25-11-50 and 25-11-60 to specifically allow the Secretary to require monthly reports from CVAOs to analyze metrics of veterans' care across the state. These reports must be provided by CVAOs within five days of the initial request.

RFA reached out to all forty-six counties to determine if this bill would result in a local expenditure impact. Six Counties responded: Aiken, Beaufort, Cherokee, Dorchester, Fairfield, and Spartanburg. All six responding counties reported this bill will have no expenditure impact to local offices, as the department purchased claims management software for use in local offices in FY 2020-21 to generate the county-level data that would be requested in these reports.

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**Local Revenue**

N/A

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Veterans Affairs indicates this bill will not have an expenditure impact to the department, as they can fulfill the requirements of this bill using current appropriations and staff.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

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The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon a response from the counties to determine if there will be a fiscal impact to local offices.

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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