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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 4705 Signed by Governor on May 18, 2018
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Subject: Mandated Reporting
Requestor: House of Representatives
RFA Analyst(s): Shuford
Impact Date: May 21, 2018

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
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

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds from the addition of clerical or non-clerical religious counselors who charge for services to the list of mandated reporters who must report abuse or neglect of a child since this will not alter the oversight or regulatory activities of the Department of Social Services.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill adds clerical or non-clerical religious counselors who charge for services to the list of mandated reporters who must report abuse or neglect of a child. In addition, the bill specifies that a mandated reporter who reports child abuse or neglect to a person in charge of an institution, school, facility, or agency is not relieved of their duty to report the child abuse as required by Section 63-7-310. Reports of child abuse are made to the Department of Social Services (DSS) or a law enforcement agency in the county where the child resides.

DSS indicates this bill does not alter the oversight and regulatory activities of the department. Specifically, any increase in the number of child abuse or neglect reports can be managed within existing resources and appropriations. DSS has intake hubs that accept reports of abuse and neglect in all 46 counties. In addition, training of mandated reporters is an ongoing administrative process in conjunction with the Children’s Law Center at the University of South Carolina. As such, this bill will have no 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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