South Carolina Office of Research and Statistics
Statement of Estimated Local Revenue Impact

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Committee Requesting Impact: Senate Judiciary

Bill Summary
A bill to amend the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 61-2-85, so as to provide that a holder of a permit that allows on-premises consumption of beer, wine, or alcoholic liquors shall recycle each recyclable beverage container sold on the premises in accordance with a model recycling program developed by the Department of Health and Environmental Control; to amend Section 61-2-90, relating to requiring an approved recycling plan to be included in a permit application for on-premises consumption; and to amend Section 6-4-20, relating to the use of accommodations taxes, so as to provide for funding for the administration and implementation of the model recycling program.

REVENUE IMPACT
Revenue from the local accommodations tax will be reduced by $198,962 and transferred to the Department of Health and Environmental Control and the Department of Revenue.

Explanation
Section 3 of this bill states one-half percent of the local accommodations tax levied pursuant to Section 12-36-2630(3) must be remitted annually in equal amounts to the Department of Health and Environmental Control and the Department of Revenue for supervision, implementation, and enforcement of the recycling plans required by Section 61-2-85 and Section 61-2-90. According to information from the Department of Revenue total accommodations tax collections for FY 2009-10 totaled $39,792,457. Transferring one-half percent of this fund to the Department of Health and Environmental Control and the Department of Revenue will reduce the local accommodations tax fund by $198,962.

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1 This statement meets the requirement of Section 2-7-71 for a state revenue impact by the BEA, or Section 2-7-76 for a local revenue impact or Section 6-1-85(8) for an estimate of the shift in local property tax incidence by the Office of Economic Research.