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S 1034 General Bill, By M. Johnson

Summary: Law Enforcement and Judicial Privacy Protection

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 30-2-500, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE NAME AND PROPERTY TAX NUMBER IN THE DEFINITION OF "PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION" AN ELIGIBLE REQUESTING PARTY MAY REQUEST TO BE REMOVED OR REDACTED FROM A DATABASE OR AN IMAGE OR A COPY OF AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT POSTED ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY WEBSITE; BY AMENDING SECTION 30-2-510, RELATING TO OPTION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO MAKE PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL, EXCEPTIONS, AND PROCEDURES, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S CHOICE TO REMOVE OR REDACT PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION FROM A DATABASE OR FROM AN IMAGE OR A COPY OF AN OFFICIAL RECORD THAT IS PLACED OR WILL BE PLACED ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INTERNET WEBSITE MAINTAINED OR OPERATED ON BEHALF OF A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY; BY ADDING SECTION 30-2-515 SO AS TO ALLOW AN ELIGIBLE REQUESTING PARTY TO PETITION THE COURT FOR AN ORDER THAT DIRECTLY COMPLIES WITH THIS ARTICLE AND TO PROHIBIT LIABILITY FROM ACCRUING TO A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE FOR CLAIMS OR DAMAGES THAT ARISE FROM PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION ON THE PUBLIC RECORD; TO DIRECT THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY TO CREATE FORMS IN COLLABORATION WITH SOUTH CAROLINA COURT ADMINISTRATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TO USE TO REQUEST PROTECTION OF THEIR PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION THE FORMS SHOULD INCLUDE; BY AMENDING SECTION 30-2-700, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE NAME AND PROPERTY TAX NUMBER IN THE DEFINITION OF "PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION" AN ELIGIBLE REQUESTING PARTY MAY REQUEST TO BE REMOVED OR REDACTED FROM A DATABASE OR AN IMAGE OR A COPY OF AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT POSTED ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY WEBSITE; BY AMENDING SECTION 30-2-710, RELATING TO AN OPTION FOR JUDGES TO MAKE PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL, EXCEPTIONS, AND PROCEDURES, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE JUDGE'S CHOICE TO REMOVE OR REDACT PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION FROM A DATABASE OR FROM AN IMAGE OR A COPY OF AN OFFICIAL RECORD THAT IS PLACED OR WILL BE PLACED ON A PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INTERNET WEBSITE MAINTAINED OR OPERATED ON BEHALF OF A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY: BY ADDING SECTION 30-2-715 SO AS TO ALLOW AN ELIGIBLE REQUESTING PARTY TO PETITION THE COURT FOR AN ORDER THAT DIRECTLY COMPLIES WITH THIS ARTICLE AND TO PROHIBIT LIABILITY FROM ACCRUING TO A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE FOR CLAIMS OR DAMAGES THAT ARISE FROM PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION ON THE PUBLIC RECORD; AND TO DIRECT THE SOUTH CAROLINA COURT ADMINISTRATION TO CREATE FORMS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY FOR JUDGES TO USE TO REQUEST PROTECTION OF THEIR PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION THE FORMS SHOULD INCLUDE.

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