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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56‑5‑3910 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A DRIVER OR OCCUPANT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE TO SMOKE A TOBACCO PRODUCT WHEN A MINOR UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN IS AN OCCUPANT OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Article 31, Chapter 5, Title 56 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 56‑5‑3910. (A) It is unlawful for a driver or occupant of a private or public passenger motor vehicle to smoke a tobacco product, as defined in Section 16‑17‑501, when a minor under the age of eighteen is also an occupant of the motor vehicle.

(B) A person who violates this provision is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined not more than two hundred dollars.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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