**South Carolina General Assembly**

119th Session, 2011-2012

**H. 3167**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

General Bill

Sponsors: Reps. Limehouse, H.B. Brown, Crosby, Toole, Stringer, Hixon and Long

Document Path: l:\council\bills\ggs\22696zw11.docx

Introduced in the House on January 11, 2011

Currently residing in the House Committee on **Judiciary**

Summary: Registered sex offenders

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

Date Body Action Description with journal page number

12/7/2010 House Prefiled

12/7/2010 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary**

1/11/2011 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 69](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\01-11-11.docx))

1/11/2011 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 69](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\01-11-11.docx))

1/12/2011 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Long

**VERSIONS OF THIS BILL**

[12/7/2010](file:///p:\pprever\2011-12\3167_20101207.docx)

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 8‑3‑15 SO AS TO PROHIBIT A REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER FROM BEING APPOINTED TO A PUBLIC OFFICE; AND BY ADDING SECTION 8‑11‑25 SO AS TO PROHIBIT A REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER FROM BEING EMPLOYED BY THE STATE.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 3, Title 8 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 8‑3‑15. A person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to the provisions of Article 7, Chapter 3, Title 23, Sex Offender Registry, or the laws of another state or jurisdiction, including but not limited to, a military or federal jurisdiction, is prohibited from being appointed to a public office.”

SECTION 2. Article 1, Chapter 11, Title 8 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 8‑11‑25. A person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to the provisions of Article 7, Chapter 3, Title 23, Sex Offender Registry, or the laws of another state or jurisdiction, including but not limited to, a military or federal jurisdiction, is prohibited from being employed by this State.”

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such holding shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining portions of this act, the General Assembly hereby declaring that it would have passed this act, and each and every section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, and word thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words hereof may be declared to be unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise ineffective.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

‑‑‑‑XX‑‑‑‑