**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 40-18-80(A)(2) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO SECURITY OFFICER REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS, TO PROVIDE THAT, PENDING ISSUANCE OF A REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE, A SECURITY OFFICER MAY PERFORM THE DUTIES OF A SECURITY OFFICER FOR UP TO SIXTY DAYS AFTER RECEIPT BY SLED OF HIS APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 40-18-80(A)(2) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(2) Pending issuance of a registration certificate, a security officer may perform the duties of a security officer for up to ~~twenty~~ sixty days after receipt by SLED of his application for registration; however, a person authorized to perform duties under this section has no arrest authority and must not carry a firearm until SLED issues a registration certificate. If SLED does not issue a registration certificate within ~~twenty~~ sixty days of receipt of the application, a security officer must cease performing all security‑related activities.”

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

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