**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 44‑53‑362, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE TAKE‑BACK EVENTS, SO AS TO REQUIRE SHERIFFS TO MAINTAIN AT LEAST ONE ONSITE DROP‑OFF BOX THROUGHOUT THE YEAR THAT IS AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISPOSING OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 44‑53‑362 of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 76 of 2017, is amended by adding a subsection at the end to read:

“( ) Each sheriff shall maintain at least one onsite drop‑off box throughout the year, available to the general public, during regular business hours for the purpose of disposing of unwanted controlled substances.”

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

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