**South Carolina General Assembly**

124th Session, 2021-2022

**H. 3020**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

General Bill

Sponsors: Reps. Gilliard, Robinson, Thigpen, Cobb‑Hunter and J.L. Johnson

Document Path: l:\council\bills\rt\17768wab21.docx

Introduced in the House on January 12, 2021

Currently residing in the House Committee on **Ways and Means**

Summary: Hazard pay

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

Date Body Action Description with journal page number

12/9/2020 House Prefiled

12/9/2020 House Referred to Committee on **Ways and Means**

1/12/2021 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 40](file:///h:\hj\20210112.docx))

1/12/2021 House Referred to Committee on **Ways and Means** ([House Journal‑page 40](file:///h:\hj\20210112.docx))

1/14/2021 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: J.L.Johnson

View the latest [legislative information](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/billsearch.php?billnumbers=3020&session=124&summary=B) at the website

**VERSIONS OF THIS BILL**

[12/9/2020](file:///p:\pprever\2021-22\3020_20201209.docx)

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 8‑11‑56 SO AS TO PROVIDE HAZARD PAY FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WORKING IN FRONTLINE POSITIONS DURING A DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY, A DECLARED PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, OR BOTH, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

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

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

“Section 8‑11‑56. (A) For purposes of this section:

(1) ‘Frontline public employee’ means a person:

(a) employed by a state agency or state institution, a political subdivision of the State, or a public school district; and

(b) who routinely works directly, in person with nonpublic employees in the course of his employment.

(2) ‘State of emergency’ means a state of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to Section 25‑1‑440.

(3) ‘Public health emergency’ means a public health emergency declared by the Department of Health and Environmental Control pursuant to the Emergency Health Powers Act.

(B) A frontline public employee working during a declared state of emergency, declared public health emergency, or both, shall receive hazard compensation throughout the applicable emergency period, which must be paid at a rate equal to twice the amount of his normal compensation.”

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

‑‑‑‑XX‑‑‑‑