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S 0232 General Bill, By Ford

A BILL TO ENACT THE "OMNIBUS CRIMINAL PROCESS REFORM ACT OF 1995", TO AMEND CHAPTER 5, TITLE 14, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO CIRCUIT COURTS, BY ADDING SECTION 14-5-615 SO AS TO VEST THE PREPARATION OF THE DOCKETS FOR GENERAL SESSIONS COURT IN THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE FOR GENERAL SESSIONS COURT FOR A JUDICIAL CIRCUIT; TO AMEND CHAPTER 23, TITLE 17 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PLEADING AND TRIAL IN CRIMINAL CASES, BY DESIGNATING SECTIONS 17-23-10 THROUGH 17-23-165 AS ARTICLE 1 AND BY ADDING ARTICLE 3, THE "SPEEDY TRIAL ACT", SO AS TO PROVIDE TIME LIMITS WITHIN WHICH AN INFORMATION OR INDICTMENT MUST BE FILED AGAINST AN ARRESTED PERSON, TO PROVIDE TIME LIMITS BETWEEN INDICTMENT OR INFORMATION AND THE TRIAL OF A DEFENDANT, TO PROVIDE SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE TIME LIMITS, AND TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE IN WHICH THE "SPEEDY TRIAL ACT" MAY BE SUSPENDED IN A JUDICIAL CIRCUIT; TO AMEND CHAPTER 19, TITLE 17, RELATING TO INDICTMENTS, BY ADDING SECTION 17-19-15, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR CRIMINAL OFFENSES; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 1-7-330, RELATING TO CIRCUIT SOLICITORS' ATTENDANCE AT GENERAL SESSIONS COURT AND THE PREPARATION AND PUBLICATION OF THE GENERAL SESSIONS DOCKET.

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