

Session 123 - (2019-2020)

H 3230 General Bill, By Weeks, Clary and Clyburn

Summary: County Grand Jury, testimony records

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 14-7-1550, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY OF A COUNTY GRAND JURY FOREMAN TO SWEAR WITNESSES AND OBTAIN ATTENDANCE OF WITNESSES, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF THIRD PARTY SUMMARY, HEARSAY EVIDENCE AS THE SOLE EVIDENCE PRESENTED TO THE COUNTY GRAND JURY FOR INDICTMENT, TO REQUIRE THE PRESENTMENT TO THE COUNTY GRAND JURY OF MATERIAL EVIDENCE, AND TO REQUIRE THE COUNTY GRAND JURY FOREMAN TO NOTE ALL EVIDENCE CONSIDERED BY THE COUNTY GRAND JURY IN THE RECORD; AND BY ADDING SECTION 14-7-1555 SO AS TO REQUIRE A RECORD OF TESTIMONY AND OTHER PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY GRAND JURY, TO PROVIDE THAT THE TRANSCRIPT, REPORTER'S NOTES, RECORD, AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS REMAIN IN THE CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF COURT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE RELEASE OF THE RECORD UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

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