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**S 0529 General Bill, By L. Martin, Alexander, Campbell, O'Dell, Reese, Peeler, Shealy, Gregory, Massey, Turner, Bennett, Cromer, Grooms, Bryant, Williams and S. Martin**

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**Summary:** CDL Driver Employment Protection Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 8 TO CHAPTER 23, TITLE 58 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE "CDL DRIVER EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION ACT", TO PROVIDE THAT CIVIL LIABILITY CLAIMS MADE AGAINST AN EMPLOYER OF A PERSON WHO HOLDS A VALID COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE BASED ON A THEORY OF NEGLIGENT HIRING, TRAINING, RETENTION, OR ENTRUSTMENT MUST BE CONSIDERED IN THE SECOND PHASE OF A BIFURCATED TRIAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-32-520(E), IF THERE IS EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT AN AWARD OF PUNITIVE DAMAGES, BUT PUNITIVE DAMAGES MAY NOT BE AWARDED AGAINST AN EMPLOYER SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF VICARIOUS LIABILITY.

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