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S 0937 General Bill, By McConnell and Martin

Summary: Probation, Parole and Pardon Services Board; calls for making administrative recommendations available to victim before parole hearings are conducted and to allow crime victims to appear before boards during parole hearings via two-way closed circuit television

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 24-21-35 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE AND PARDON SERVICES BOARD MUST MAKE ITS ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS AVAILABLE TO A VICTIM OF A CRIME BEFORE IT CONDUCTS A PAROLE HEARING FOR THE PERPETRATOR OF THE CRIME; TO AMEND SECTION 24-21-30, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PAROLE BOARD MEETINGS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE AND PARDON SERVICES MUST CONDUCT ALL PAROLE HEARINGS IN CASES THAT RELATE TO A SINGLE VICTIM ON THE SAME DAY; AND TO AMEND SECTION 24-21-710, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO FILM, VIDEOTAPE, OR OTHER ELECTRONIC INFORMATION THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED BY THE PAROLE BOARD WHEN IT MAKES A PAROLE DETERMINATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD MUST MAINTAIN AND ALLOW CRIME VICTIMS TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD DURING PAROLE HEARINGS VIA A TWO-WAY CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION SYSTEM.

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