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H 3099 General Bill, By McCoy, Cobb-Hunter, Weeks, Rivers, Whipper and Norrell Similar (S 0547)

Summary: Failure to report child abuse

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-415 SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE TORT CLAIMS ACT EXCEPTION TO IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES IF AN ADMINISTRATOR FAILS TO REPORT CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 63-7-310; TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-310, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PERSONS REQUIRED TO REPORT CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT, SO AS TO ADD SCHOOL AND COLLEGE ADMINISTRATORS, COACHES, FIREFIGHTERS, CAMP COUNSELORS, SCOUT LEADERS, AND OTHER PERSONS WHO HAVE DIRECT CONTACT WITH OR SUPERVISE CHILDREN AS MANDATED REPORTERS, TO REQUIRE REPORTING WHEN MANDATED REPORTERS ARE ACTING IN A VOLUNTEER CAPACITY, AND TO REQUIRE MANDATED REPORTERS TO COMPLY INDIVIDUALLY WITH THE STATUTORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS REGARDLESS OF EMPLOYER INTERNAL REPORTING PROTOCOLS; TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-360, RELATING TO MANDATORY REPORTING TO CORONERS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-410, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE TO REPORT CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT, SO AS TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES TO FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS OR ONE YEAR IMPRISONMENT, OR BOTH; AND TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-450, RELATING TO INFORMATION THAT MUST BE PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO MANDATED REPORTERS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

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