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H 3138 General Bill, By E.H. Pitts, Haskins, Branham, G.R. Smith, Shoopman, Cobb-Hunter, Kirsh, Mahaffey, Huggins, Funderburk, Cotty, Haley, Gullick, Bingham, Toole, Ballentine, Vick, Hagood, McLeod, Owens and Bedingfield *Similar (S 0213)*

Summary: Prevention of Underage Drinking and Access to Alcohol Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ENACTING THE "PREVENTION OF UNDERAGE DRINKING AND ACCESS TO ALCOHOL ACT OF 2007" SO AS TO ADD ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 61 TO PROVIDE SOCIAL HOST CRIMINAL LIABILITY WHEN ALCOHOL IS PROVIDED TO A MINOR UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, TO DEFINE TERMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ARTICLE, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE OFFENSE; TO ADD ARTICLE 19, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 61 TO REQUIRE THE REGISTRATION OF KEGS, TO DEFINE TERMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ARTICLE, TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR THE REGISTRATION OF KEGS, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; TO ADD SECTION 61-6-4075 SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF ILLEGAL PURCHASE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS FOR ANOTHER'S CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY; TO ADD SECTION 61-6-4085 SO AS TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL CHARGES TO BE BROUGHT AGAINST BOTH THE SELLER AND PURCHASER REGARDING THE ILLEGAL SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS TO MINORS AND TO CREATE AN EXCEPTION FOR THE USE OF MINORS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTION 20-7-8920 AND 20-7-8925, BOTH AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PURCHASE OR POSSESSION OF BEER, WINE, AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS, SO AS TO EQUALIZE THE PENALTIES FOR THE OFFENSES, TO REQUIRE THAT THE VIOLATOR COMPLETE AN ALCOHOL EDUCATION PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FOR THE USE OF MINORS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTION 56-1-746, RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENSION FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES INVOLVING THE UNLAWFUL PURCHASE OR POSSESSION OF BEER, WINE, OR ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS BY MINORS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND REQUIRE NOTIFICATION OF THE MINOR'S PARENT WHEN THE MINOR'S DRIVER'S LICENSE IS SUSPENDED; TO AMEND SECTION 61-4-50, RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL SALE OF BEER OR WINE TO MINORS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND TO REQUIRE THE VIOLATOR TO COMPLETE AN ALCOHOL EDUCATION PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION 61-4-60, RELATING TO A MINOR'S GIVING FALSE INFORMATION AS TO AGE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING BEER OR WINE SO AS TO INCREASE THE PENALTY SO IT IS EQUAL TO THE SIMILAR OFFENSE INVOLVING ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS; TO AMEND SECTION 61-4-80, RELATING TO THE PURCHASE OF BEER OR WINE FOR ANOTHER'S CONSUMPTION ON PREMISES, SO AS TO REVISE THE PENALTIES; TO AMEND SECTION 61-4-90, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO TRANSFER OF BEER OR WINE FOR A MINOR'S CONSUMPTION, SO AS TO REVISE THE PENALTIES; TO AMEND SECTION 61-4-100, RELATING TO REQUIRING CRIMINAL CHARGES TO BE BROUGHT AGAINST BOTH THE SELLER AND PURCHASER REGARDING THE ILLEGAL SALE AND PURCHASE OF BEER OR WINE BY A MINOR, SO AS TO CREATE AN EXCEPTION FOR THE USE OF MINORS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTION 61-6-4070, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO TRANSFER OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS FOR A MINOR'S CONSUMPTION, SO AS TO REVISE THE PENALTIES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 61-6-4080, RELATING TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS TO MINORS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND TO REQUIRE THE VIOLATOR TO COMPLETE AN ALCOHOL EDUCATION PROGRAM.

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