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Summary: Ethics Commission

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-320, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION, SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION BE RELEASED UPON A FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE, DISMISSAL, OR WAIVER OF CONFIDENTIALITY; TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-510 RELATING TO THE GOVERNANCE AND JURISDICTION OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE; TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-530 TO DELETE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE ETHICS COMMITTEES; TO ADD SECTION 8-13-535, RELATING TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE OR SENATE ETHICS COMMITTEE AND HIS SUBPOENA AUTHORITY; TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-540 SO AS TO DELETE SOME PROVISIONS REGARDING THE PROCEDURES OF THE HOUSE OR SENATE ETHICS COMMITTEE AND TO ESTABLISH THE WILFUL RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION IS A MISDEMEANOR; TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-550 TO PROVIDE WHEN THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OR THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE SHALL CALL THE HOUSE OR SENATE INTO OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER TO THE ACTION OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEE; TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-560 CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OF A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHO WINS A REELECTION DURING A SUSPENSION FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR AN INDICTMENT FOR A CRIME THAT IS A FELONY, MORAL TURPITUDE, HAS A SENTENCE OF TWO OR MORE YEARS OR VIOLATES ELECTION LAWS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 8-13-520.

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