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H 3930 General Bill, By Weeks and J.E. Smith Similar (S 0183, S 0196, H 3125)

Summary: Human trafficking

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2020, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO CRIMES INVOLVING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN A PERSON IS CONSIDERED A TRAFFICKER IN PERSONS, TO PROHIBIT A VICTIM IN TRAFFICKING FROM BEING CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS OR OF PROSTITUTION UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO CLARIFY THAT A VICTIM'S SEXUAL HISTORY OR HISTORY OF COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY ARE NOT ADMISSIBLE BY A DEFENDANT IN A CRIMINAL ACTION; TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2030, RELATING TO CRIMINAL LIABILITY OF PRINCIPAL OWNERS OF A BUSINESS OR OTHER ENTITY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE COURT MAY CONSIDER DISGORGEMENT OF PROFIT FROM THE PROHIBITED ACTIVITY AND BAR THE BUSINESS OR ENTITY INVOLVED FROM STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS; TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2040, RELATING TO RESTITUTION FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE ATTORNEY'S FEES AND AN AMOUNT REPRESENTING THE VALUE OF THE VICTIM'S LABOR OR SERVICES AS RECOVERABLE; TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2050, RELATING TO THE INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE PREVENTION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT TO THE EXTENT FUNDS ARE APPROPRIATED, THE TASK FORCE MAY MAKE GRANTS OR CONTRACT WITH STATE AGENCIES OR VICTIMS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS TO DEVELOP OR EXPAND SERVICE PROGRAMS FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS AND REVISE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TASK FORCE; TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2060, RELATING TO CIVIL ACTIONS FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A VICTIM'S SEXUAL HISTORY OR HISTORY OF COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY ARE NOT ADMISSIBLE BY A DEFENDANT IN A CIVIL ACTION.

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