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H 4067 General Bill, By Fry, Henegan, Jones, Willis, Crawford, Kirby, Huggins, Ott, Caskey, Davis, Alexander, Erickson, Bradley, W. Newton, Hewitt, Calhoon, Hixon, Pendarvis and Thayer

Summary: Trafficking in Persons

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2010, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR PURPOSES OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS OFFENSES, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "SEX TRAFFICKING" TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND PROSTITUTION OFFENSES INVOLVING MINORS; TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2020, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE ELEMENTS OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS OFFENSES, PENALTIES, AND DEFENSES, SO AS TO ENSURE THAT A MINOR VICTIM ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT FOR A VIOLATION OF THE ARTICLE MAY HAVE THE RECORD OF CONVICTION EXPUNGED; BY ADDING SECTION 16-3-2110 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL VICTIM'S ADVOCATE FOR MINOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS OFFENSES; BY ADDING SECTION 16-3-2120 SO AS TO DIRECT THE APPROPRIATE AGENCIES TO COORDINATE WITH THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE FOR THE TRAINING OF JUDGES, PROSECUTORS, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL; AND BY ADDING SECTION 16-3-2130 SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF PROMOTING TRAVEL FOR PROSTITUTION OR SEX TRAFFICKING AND PROVIDE PENALTIES.

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