**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 23‑23‑60, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE AND QUALIFICATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND PERSONS TRAINED BY THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY, AND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL’S AUTHORITY TO OVERSEE THE OPERATION OF THE TRAINING OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND RECEIPT OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM GOVERNING BODIES ABOUT CANDIDATES SEEKING CERTIFICATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE DETENTION AND CORRECTIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATES MUST BE AT LEAST EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 23‑23‑60(B)(8) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(8) evidence satisfactory to the director that the candidate’s present age is ~~not~~ no less than twenty‑one years. However, if the person is a candidate for detention or correctional officer, then the candidate’s present age must be no less than eighteen years of age. This evidence must include a birth certificate or another acceptable document;”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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