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H 4717 General Bill, By Limehouse, Whatley, Simrill, Allison, Altman, Chellis, Davenport, Harrell, Law, Leach, Littlejohn, Moody-Lawrence, Rodgers, Sandifer, Scarborough, D.C. Smith, J.R. Smith, Stille, Talley, Taylor, Trotter, Walker, Webb and Wilkins

Summary: State Ports Authority Seaport Security Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 54-3-265 TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA STATE PORTS AUTHORITY SEAPORT SECURITY ACT" SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT EACH SEAPORT UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA PORTS AUTHORITY SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A SECURITY PLAN RELATING TO THE SPECIFIC AND IDENTIFIABLE NEEDS OF THE SEAPORT WHICH MUST BE REVIEWED BY THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION (SLED), TO REQUIRE THAT A FINGERPRINT CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK BE PERFORMED ON A PERSON WHO HAS REGULAR ACCESS TO A SEAPORT FACILITY, TO REQUIRE THAT A PERSON WHO VISITS A SEAPORT FACILITY SHALL PROVIDE THE FACILITY'S AUTHORITIES CERTAIN FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION BEFORE HE MAY ENTER THE FACILITY, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH SEAPORT MUST PROVIDE SLED WITH AN ANNUAL REPORT THAT CONTAINS ITS DETERMINATIONS REGARDING ACCESS TO A SEAPORT AND ITS DETERMINATION, TO AUTHORIZE A PERSON'S ACCESS TO A SEAPORT AFTER THE APPEAL OF A DENIAL OF ACCESS TO A SEAPORT, TO PROVIDE THAT SLED MUST CONDUCT ANNUAL INSPECTIONS OF EACH SEAPORT TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT MEETS THE STANDARDS CONTAINED IN ITS SECURITY PLAN AND PROVIDE A REPORT CONTAINING ITS FINDINGS FROM THESE INSPECTIONS TO THE GOVERNOR, SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THESE PROVISIONS DO NOT CONFLICT WITH FEDERAL LAW.

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