COMMITTEE REPORT

March 11, 2009

**S. 363**

Introduced by Senator Alexander

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Read the first time February 3, 2009.

**THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 363) to amend Section 23‑41‑20 of the 1976 Code, relating to the Arson Reporting Immunity Act, to add certain public safety officials to the list of agencies authorized, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

JOHN M. KNOTTS, JR. for Committee.

**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State or on federal and/or other funds.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

The FIST network of local governments was surveyed to determine the fiscal impact of this bill on local governments. Respondents indicated that this bill would have no fiscal impact on their operations.

*Approved By:*

Harry Bell

Office of State Budget

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 23‑41‑20 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE ARSON REPORTING IMMUNITY ACT, TO ADD CERTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS TO THE LIST OF AGENCIES AUTHORIZED TO RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM AN INSURANCE COMPANY.

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

SECTION 1. Section 23‑41‑20(a) of the 1976 Code is amended by adding an appropriately numbered item to read:

“( ) the Fire Chief, Sheriff, or Chief of Police having jurisdiction over the arson investigation.”

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

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