**A** **BILL**

To amend Chapter 13, Title 17 of the 1976 Code, relating to arrest, process, searches and seizures, by adding section 17‑13‑35, to provide THAT anonymous tips OR INFORMATION may be used for probable cause when justified under certain circumstances.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 13, Title 17 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

"Section 17‑13‑35. An anonymous tip or information of illegal activity cannot be the sole basis for a probable cause determination, but reasonable suspicion can arise from an anonymous tip or information provided that the totality of the surrounding circumstances justifies acting on the tip."

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

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