**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 16‑3‑1530, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO A DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY HAVING CUSTODY OR CUSTODIAL SUPERVISION OF A PERSON CONVICTED OR ACCUSED OF CERTAIN OFFENSES NOTIFYING A VICTIM OF THE OFFENSE OF THE PERSON’S RELEASE, ESCAPE, OR INTERDEPARTMENTAL TRANSFER, SO AS TO LIMIT THE NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE TO THE USE OF ELECTRONIC OR OTHER AUTOMATED COMMUNICATION OR RECORDING.

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

SECTION 1. Section 16‑3‑1530(B) of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 106 of 2005, is amended to read:

“(B) Notification of a victim pursuant to the provisions of this section may ~~not be only by electronic or other automated communication or recording except in the case of an intradepartmental transfer~~ be made by electronic or other automated communication or recording.”

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

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