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COMMITTEE REPORT

February 1, 2018

**S. 297**

Introduced by Senator Shealy

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**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**LABOR, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 297) to amend Section 40-18-80(A)(2) of the 1976 Code, relating to security officer registration certificates and qualifications of applicants, to provide that, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

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

WILLIAM E. SANDIFER III for Committee.

**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**Amended by Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry on February 14, 2017**

**State Expenditure**

Under existing law, a security officer awaiting approval for registration from the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) may, with the exception of carrying a firearm or exercising arrest authority, perform the duties of a security officer for up to twenty days after SLED’s receipt of the officer’s application for registration. The bill, as amended by the Senate Labor, Commerce, and Industry, extends the time period within which an unregistered security officer awaiting SLED’s registration approval may perform security officer duties to thirty days after SLED’s receipt of the registration application.

**State Law Enforcement Division.** The department reports that the bill as amended will have no effect on the processing of security officer registrations and will therefore result in no expenditure impact on the general fund, other funds, or federal funds.

Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director

Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 40-18-80(A)(2) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO SECURITY OFFICER REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS, TO PROVIDE THAT, PENDING ISSUANCE OF A REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE, A SECURITY OFFICER MAY PERFORM THE DUTIES OF A SECURITY OFFICER FOR UP TO SIXTY DAYS AFTER RECEIPT BY SLED OF HIS APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION.

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

SECTION 1. Section 40-18-80(A)(2) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(2) Pending issuance of a registration certificate, a security officer may perform the duties of a security officer for up to ~~twenty~~ thirty days after receipt by SLED of his application for registration; however, a person authorized to perform duties under this section has no arrest authority and must not carry a firearm until SLED issues a registration certificate. If SLED does not issue a registration certificate within ~~twenty~~ thirty days of receipt of the application, a security officer must cease performing all security‑related activities.”

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

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