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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 23‑1‑250 SO AS TO PROVIDE IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR PARAMEDIC TO INJECT KETAMINE INTO A CRIMINAL SUSPECT AS A MEANS TO INCAPACITATE HIM AND PROVIDE A PENALTY.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Title 23 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 23‑1‑250. It is unlawful for a law enforcement officer or a paramedic to inject the drug ketamine into a criminal suspect as a means to incapacitate him. A person who violates this provision is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be imprisoned not more than three years.”

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

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