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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-17-70, RELATING TO PATERNITY COURT ORDERS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE ORDER TO FACILITATE THE CORRECTION OF PATERNITY REFERENCES ON THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE IF THE PUTATIVE FATHER IS DETERMINED NOT TO BE THE FATHER OF THE CHILD, TO REVOKE PREVIOUS ORDERS ESTABLISHING CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS FOLLOWING SUCH A DETERMINATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 63-17-70(B) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

 (B) Upon a finding that the putative father is not the father of the child, the court shall issue an order which sets forth this finding, requires the bureau of vital statistics to amend the birth certificate to remove the name of the putative father if the putative father is listed as the father of the child on the birth certificate, revokes any child support order issued pursuant to this chapter, and, if a professional license of the putative father has been revoked for failure to comply with a child support order, requires the Department of Social Services to notify the licensing entity within fourteen days that the licensee is not required to pay under the order for support and to immediately reissue any license revoked pursuant to Section 63-17-1060.

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

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