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**S 0159 General Bill, By Turner, Garrett, Climer, Adams, Graham, Alexander, Young and Walker**

***Similar (H 3523)***

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-13-135, RELATING TO THE OFFENSE OF RETAIL THEFT AND ASSOCIATED PENALTIES, SO AS TO REVISE THE PREVIOUS OFFENSE OF RETAIL THEFT TO CREATE THE OFFENSES OF ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME AND ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME OF AN AGGRAVATED NATURE, TO PROVIDE A GRADUATED PENALTY STRUCTURE, AND TO REVISE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS.

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| **01/14/25** | **Senate** | **Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 102)** |
| **01/14/25** | **Senate** | **Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 102)** |
| **02/07/25** | **Senate** | **Referred to Subcommittee: Adams (ch), Tedder, Fernandez, Kennedy, Sutton** |
| **02/19/25** | **Senate** | **Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 12)** |
| **02/25/25** | **Senate** | **Amended (Senate Journal-page 22)** |
| **02/25/25** | **Senate** | **Read second time (Senate Journal-page 22)** |
| **02/25/25** | **Senate** | **Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 22)** |
| **02/26/25** | **Senate** | **Recommitted to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 20)** |