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H 3399 General Bill, By Guffey, Pope, Spann-Wilder, Govan, Erickson and Bradley

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "CHILDREN'S DEFAULT TO SAFETY ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 9 TO CHAPTER 5, TITLE 39 SO AS TO PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FOR CHILDREN AGAINST UNFILTERED DEVICES; TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; TO REQUIRE MANUFACTURERS OF SMART PHONES AND TABLETS TO AUTOMATICALLY ENABLE AND PASSCODE-PROTECT THE FILTERS BLOCKING MATERIAL HARMFUL TO MINORS ON DEVICES ACTIVATED IN THIS STATE; TO SUBJECT MANUFACTURERS TO CIVIL AND CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ARTICLE; AND TO SUBJECT INDIVIDUALS TO CRIMINAL AND CIVIL LIABILITY FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ARTICLE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 16-17-490, RELATING TO CONTRIBUTING TO DELINQUENCY OF A MINOR, SO AS TO PROHIBIT PROVIDING A PASSCODE TO REMOVE THE PORNOGRAPHY FILTER FOR AN INTERNET-ACCESSIBLE DEVICE BY SOMEONE OTHER THAN A MINOR'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

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