

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

**H 3655 General Bill, By Calhoon, Bernstein, Spann-Wilder, Schuessler, Dillard, Wetmore, B.L. Cox and Holman
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Summary: Status Offenses

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-19-820, RELATING TO OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE EXCEPTION FOR CHILDREN TO BE TRIED AS ADULTS AND TO DECREASE THE LENGTH OF TIME THAT A CHILD MAY BE HELD IN A JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-19-1020, RELATING TO THE INSTITUTION OF JUVENILE PROCEEDINGS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT THE CHILD AND HIS FAMILY FIRST SEEK COUNSELING IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-19-1440, RELATING TO COMMITMENT, SO AS TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN STATUS AND CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COURT ORDERS; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-19-1810, RELATING TO DETERMINATIONS OF RELEASE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63-19-2050, RELATING TO PETITIONS FOR EXPUNGEMENT OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT OF A JUVENILE'S RECORD FOR STATUS OFFENSES, WITH EXCEPTIONS.

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