

Session 114 - (2001-2002)

S*0390 (Rat #0103, Act #0060 of 2001) General Bill, By Reese

Summary: Firefighter, applicant to undergo SLED and FBI background review; Fire, Law Enforcement

A BILL TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA FIREFIGHTERS EMPLOYMENT AND REGISTRATION ACT" INCLUDING PROVISIONS TO AMEND TITLE 40, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS, BY ADDING CHAPTER 80 RELATING TO FIREFIGHTER EMPLOYMENT AND REGISTRATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS IN REGARD TO FIREFIGHTER REGISTRATION, TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS ON FIREFIGHTERS EMPLOYED IN THIS STATE ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2001, TO REQUIRE REGISTRATION OF FIREFIGHTERS WITH THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL, TO REQUIRE THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL ASSIGN IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS TO AND MAINTAIN CERTAIN RECORDS ON REGISTERED FIREFIGHTERS, TO PROVIDE THE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH INFORMATION CONTAINED IN A FIREFIGHTER'S FILE MAY BE RELEASED BY THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL, TO PROVIDE THAT EXCEPT FOR A FIREFIGHTER EMPLOYED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, OR AN INDIVIDUAL ENGAGED IN FIREFIGHTING DUTIES DURING A DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY, NO PERSON SHALL BE ALLOWED TO PERFORM FIREFIGHTING DUTIES IN THIS STATE ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2001, WITH A PUBLIC FIRE DEPARTMENT OR EMPLOYER WITHOUT BEING REGISTERED AS A FIREFIGHTER, TO REQUIRE THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL REGISTER EACH FIREFIGHTER AND MAINTAIN CERTAIN INFORMATION AND RECORDS ON EACH FIREFIGHTER, TO REQUIRE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND EMPLOYERS OF FIREFIGHTERS TO NOTIFY THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL OF THE SEPARATION OF A FIREFIGHTER FROM EMPLOYMENT; AND TO AMEND ACT 1377 OF 1968, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SO AS TO REDIRECT THE FIRE INSURANCE PREMIUMS TAX IMPOSED FOR DEBT SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION TO BE USED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, AND SUPPORT AT THE STATE FIRE ACADEMY, IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FIREFIGHTER EMPLOYMENT AND REGISTRATION ACT, REGIONAL SERVICE DELIVERY OF PUBLIC FIREFIGHTER EDUCATION AND TRAINING, FIRE PREVENTION SERVICES, AND PUBLIC GRANTS TO ENTITIES PROVIDING FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION.-AMENDED TITLE

02/28/01	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-3
02/28/01	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-3
04/25/01	Senate	Committee report: Favorable Judiciary SJ-23
04/26/01	Senate	Amended SJ-76
04/26/01	Senate	Read second time SJ-76
04/26/01	Senate	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day SJ-76
04/27/01	Senate	Read third time and sent to House SJ-11
05/01/01	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-23
05/01/01	House	Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-24
05/16/01	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-2
05/22/01	House	Amended HJ-14
05/22/01	House	Debate adjourned HJ-16
05/22/01	House	Read second time HJ-44
05/23/01	House	Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments HJ-27
05/23/01	Senate	Concurred in House amendment and enrolled SJ-14
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