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H 4339 General Bill, By Sellers and Govan

Summary: Vulnerable Adult Abuse and Neglect and Exploitation Registry

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 2 TO CHAPTER 35, TITLE 43 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE VULNERABLE ADULT ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION REGISTRY TO BE MAINTAINED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION WITHIN ITS VULNERABLE ADULTS INVESTIGATIONS UNIT; TO PROVIDE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AND THE MANNER IN WHICH A PERSON IS PLACED ON THE REGISTRY; TO SPECIFY INFORMATION THAT MAY BE MAINTAINED ON THE REGISTRY; TO AUTHORIZE SCREENING OF THE REGISTRY WHEN A PERSON'S HISTORY OF VULNERABLE ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION IS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF REPORTS AND RECORDS OF VULNERABLE ADULT ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH SUCH INFORMATION MAY BE RELEASED; TO PROVIDE THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH RECORDS OF UNFOUNDED REPORTS MUST BE RETAINED; AND TO REQUIRE THE VULNERABLE ADULTS INVESTIGATIONS UNIT TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ANNUALLY; AND BY ADDING SECTION 17-25-136 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT WHEN A PERSON IS CONVICTED OF OR PLEADS GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE TO CERTAIN CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON OR MORALITY THAT ARE BASED ON VULNERABLE ADULT ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR EXPLOITATION, THE COURT SHALL ORDER THAT THE PERSON BE ENTERED ON THE VULNERABLE ADULT ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION REGISTRY.

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