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H 4409 General Bill, By Altman

Summary: Solicitor's Certification Act of 2000, Courts, Criminal cases, before calling to trial to assert belief guilty verdict

A BILL TO ENACT THE "SOLICITOR'S CERTIFICATION ACT OF 2000" BY INCLUDING A PROVISION TO AMEND ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 7, TITLE 1, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SOLICITORS, BY ADDING SECTION 1-7-345 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE SOLICITOR, BEFORE CALLING A CRIMINAL CASE FOR TRIAL, TO CERTIFY IN WRITING THAT IT IS THE SOLICITOR'S PROFESSIONAL OPINION THAT A JURY, UPON THE TRIAL OF THIS PARTICULAR CASE, WILL MORE LIKELY THAN NOT RETURN A VERDICT OF GUILTY, AND TO PROVIDE THE CERTIFICATION TO THE COURT AND COUNSEL FOR THE DEFENDANT, AND TO RECORD IT IN THE SOLICITOR'S OFFICE.

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