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S 0676 General Bill, By Sabb

Summary: Officer-involved deaths

A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 23 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, BY ADDING ARTICLE 18, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION MUST INVESTIGATE OFFICER-INVOLVED DEATHS OR WHERE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER INFLICTS GREAT BODILY INJURY ON AN INDIVIDUAL, TO PROVIDE THAT IF A STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OFFICER IS THE PROPER SUBJECT OF AN INVESTIGATION THEN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ASSIGN THE INVESTIGATION TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY WITH APPROPRIATE EXPERTISE TO INVESTIGATE, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 7, TITLE 1, RELATING TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MUST DETERMINE WHETHER TO PROSECUTE CASES RELATED TO OFFICER INVOLVED DEATHS OR GREAT BODILY INJURY, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MUST PROSECUTE THE CASES UNLESS HE HAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN WHICH CASE HE MUST SELECT ANOTHER PROSECUTOR.

04/16/15 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 8)

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