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S 1178 General Bill, By Thomas and Hutto

Summary: Eyewitness Identification of Suspects Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 14, TITLE 17 SO AS TO ENACT THE "EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION OF SUSPECTS ACT", TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC AND LIVE LINEUPS, TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR THE INVESTIGATOR TO FOLLOW IN PRESENTING LIVE, PHOTO, SIMULTANEOUS PHOTO, SEQUENTIAL PHOTO, SIMULTANEOUS LIVE, AND SEQUENTIAL LIVE LINEUPS, TO PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS THAT MUST BE GIVEN TO THE WITNESS OF A CRIME AND ENSURE THE WITNESS UNDERSTANDS THE PURPOSE OF THE IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURE IS TO CLEAR THE INNOCENT AND IDENTIFY THE ACTUAL PERPETRATOR, AND TO REQUIRE THE DOCUMENTATION AND RECORDING OF IDENTIFICATION RESULTS IN WRITING.

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