

## Session 117 - (2007-2008)

**H 3347 General Bill, By Stavrinakis, Bedingfield, Bowen, Brantley, R.L. Brown, Chellis, Crawford, Gambrell, Gullick, Harrell, Harrison, Hinson, Lowe, Mulvaney, Ott, Whipper, Young and Brady**

**Similar (S 0157)**

**Summary:** Teacher Protection Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA TEACHER PROTECTION ACT OF 2007", BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-900, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A TEACHER MAY BRING A CIVIL ACTION AGAINST A STUDENT WHO COMMITS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE AGAINST THE TEACHER IF THE OFFENSE OCCURS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS OR AT A SCHOOL-RELATED EVENT, OR IF THE OFFENSE IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE TEACHER'S PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A TEACHER IS NOT LIABLE IN A CIVIL ACTION TO A STUDENT OR TO A PARTY ACTING IN THE INTEREST OF THE STUDENT FOR AN ACT OR OMISSION BY THE TEACHER WHILE THE TEACHER IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SCHOOL; AND TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-612, RELATING TO THE OFFENSE OF ASSAULT AND BATTERY ON SCHOOL PERSONNEL BY A STUDENT, SO AS TO REVISE DEFINITIONS, CREATE A THREE-TIERED ASSAULT AND BATTERY SENTENCING SCHEME, AND TO MANDATE CERTAIN BENEFITS BE RETAINED BY THE INJURED SCHOOL OFFICIAL WHOSE INJURY PREVENTS HIS RETURN.

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