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H 3678 General Bill, By Hart, Scott, Rutherford, Agnew, Delleney, Kelly and Stavrinakis

Summary: Bench warrants

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 17-15-175 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A JUDGE MAY NOT ISSUE A BENCH WARRANT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR UNLESS THE SOLICITOR FILES AN AFFIDAVIT WITH THE COURT TO CONFIRM THAT WRITTEN NOTICE OF HIS INTENT TO SEEK A BENCH WARRANT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE DEFENDANT, HIS ATTORNEY, AND THE BOND SURETY COMPANY AND TO REQUIRE THE COURT TO HOLD A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE HEARING BEFORE ISSUING THE BENCH WARRANT.

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