

## Session 113 - (1999-2000)

### **S 0654 General Bill, By Senate Judiciary**

**Summary:** Minors purchasing beer, wine, alcohol; first offenses; educational programs for retail establishment employees

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 20-7-8926, SO AS TO PROVIDE A CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE FOR A FIRST OFFENSE OF PURCHASING OR POSSESSING BEER, ALE, PORTER, WINE, FERMENTED BEVERAGES OR ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS BY A PERSON UNDER TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE; AND TO AUTHORIZE SUCH PERSONS TO APPLY TO THE COURT FOR AN ORDER EXPUNGING ALL RECORDS RELATING TO THE ARREST, INDICTMENT OR INFORMATION, TRIAL, FINDING OF GUILTY, AND DISMISSAL; AND BY ADDING SECTION 61-4-595, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE HOLDER OF A PERMIT FOR THE SALE OF BEER OR WINE WHO IS CHARGED WITH SELLING BEER OR WINE TO A PERSON UNDER TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE MAY USE AS A MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCE PROGRAMS USED BY THE PERMIT HOLDER TO EDUCATE AND TRAIN ITS EMPLOYEES ON THE PREVENTION OF THE SALE OF BEER OR WINE TO PERSONS UNDER TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE THAT IF THE PERMIT HOLDER AND HIS EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATE IN SUCH A PROGRAM, THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE MAY DISMISS THE CHARGES AGAINST THE PERMIT HOLDER.

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