COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ADOPTED

April 23, 2009

**S. 343**

Introduced by Senator Lourie

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**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE SOUTH CAROLINA BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD TO REQUIRE ALL AGENCIES WITH INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO THE OMNIBUS ADULT PROTECTION ACT, OR ANY FEDERAL STATUTE, TO MAKE THEIR CASES OF ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION OF VULNERABLE ADULTS WHICH WERE SUBSTANTIATED OR RESULTED IN CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AVAILABLE ON THE STATE’S WEBSITE IN A FORMAT TO BE DEVELOPED BY THE ADULT PROTECTION COORDINATING COUNCIL.

Amend Title To Conform

Whereas, the public interest requires that data regarding the abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults be readily available; and

Whereas, there is no central repository of data to provide one point of entry to existing state data bases collecting information concerning the abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults; and

Whereas, the General Assembly recognizes the need to establish the most efficient means of access to enable the public to protect the safety of vulnerable adults. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the General Assembly of South Carolina directs the South Carolina Budget and Control Board to:

(1) require all agencies with investigative authority pursuant to the Omnibus Adult Protection Act, or any federal statute, to make available on the Internet, to the extent legally possible, in a format to be developed by the Adult Protection Coordinating Council, the results of their cases of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults, which resulted in criminal convictions, and to the extent possible, provide this information in one location on the state’s website;

(2) develop a procedure in conjunction with the Adult Protection Coordinating Council whereby a person could appeal the placement of the person’s results on the state’s website; and

(3) develop a procedure in conjunction with the Adult Protection Coordinating Council whereby a person’s results would be automatically removed from the state’s website five years from the date the person completes his sentence, provided the person has not been convicted of a similar offense within the five year period.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the South Carolina Budget and Control Board and the Adult Protection Coordinating Council.

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