**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT “LOLLIS’S LAW” BY ADDING SECTIONS 14‑25‑40 AND 22‑3‑1020 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE CLERK OF COURT OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT AND A MAGISTRATE OR HIS DESIGNATED CLERK, RESPECTIVELY, TO SEND A SUMMONS OR OTHER WRITTEN NOTIFICATION CHANGING A COURT DATE BY CERTIFIED LETTER TO THE DEFENDANT OR THE DEFENDANT’S ATTORNEY OF RECORD.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. This act may be cited as “Lollis’s Law”.

SECTION 2. Article 1, Chapter 25, Title 14 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 14‑25‑40. Notwithstanding another provision of law, the clerk of court of the municipal court shall send a summons or other written notification which designates a court date and time or alters or changes a court date or time for a particular matter before the municipal court by certified letter, return receipt requested, to the person required to appear or to the person’s attorney of record.”

SECTION 3. Article 9, Chapter 3, Title 22 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 22‑3‑1020. Notwithstanding another provision of law, a magistrate or his designated clerk shall send a summons or other written notification which designates a court date and time or alters or changes a court date or time for a particular matter before the magistrates court by certified letter, return receipt requested, to the person required to appear or to the person’s attorney of record.”

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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