**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 24‑3‑180, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FURNISHING CLOTHES AND TRANSPORTATION TO AN INMATE UPON HIS DISCHARGE FROM A STATE PRISON, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT TRANSPORT AN INMATE TO A BUS STATION UPON HIS DISCHARGE FROM A STATE PRISON.

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

SECTION 1. Section 24‑3‑180 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 237 of 2010, is further amended to read:

“Section 24‑3‑180. ~~Whenever~~ When an inmate is discharged from a state prison, the Department of Corrections shall furnish the inmate with a suit of common clothes, if necessary, and transportation from the prison to his home or as near to it as can be done by public conveyances. However, the department shall not transport the inmate to a bus station. The cost of transportation and clothes must be paid by the State Treasurer, on the draft of the department, countersigned by the Comptroller General.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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