**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 23‑3‑430, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE FAMILY COURT WITH THE DISCRETION TO DETERMINE WHETHER A JUVENILE IS PLACED ON THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY.

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

SECTION 1. Section 23‑3‑430 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 255 of 2012, is further amended by adding the following appropriately lettered subsection at the end:

“( ) Notwithstanding another provision of law, the family court shall use its discretion to determine whether a juvenile is placed on the sex offender registry.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor and applies to family court proceedings that occur after the effective date of the Omnibus Crime Reduction and Sentencing Reform Act of 2010.

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