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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-1030, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE WITH TRAFFIC‑CONTROL DEVICES, AND RAILROAD SIGNS AND SIGNALS, AND PENALTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THESE VIOLATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THESE PENALTIES ALSO APPLY TO THE UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE WITH A ROAD OR STREET IDENTIFICATION SIGN.

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

SECTION 1. Section 56‑5‑1030 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 56‑5‑1030. (A) No person shall wilfully without lawful authority attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down, or remove an official traffic‑control device or a railroad sign or signal or its inscriptions, shields, or insignia, or a road or street identification sign.

(B) A person violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, must be:

(1) fined not less than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than five years, or both. The driver’s license of a person convicted under this section must be revoked for not less than five years. In any case where a license has not been issued, the person is not eligible to obtain a license for five years from the date of conviction;

(2) fined not less than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than ten years if injury results;

(3) imprisoned not more than thirty years if death results.”

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

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