**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 16-23-430(A) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO CARRYING WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY, TO ENACT JACOB HALL’S LAW TO CLARIFY THAT SCHOOL PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED BY SCHOOL OFFICIALS MAY CARRY A WEAPON ON SCHOOL PROPERTY IN ADDITION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL AND TO ALLOW THE SCHOOL OFFICIALS TO REQUIRE WEAPONS TRAINING BEFORE AUTHORIZING SCHOOL PERSONNEL TO CARRY WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY.

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

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

SECTION 2. Section 16-23-430 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 16-23-430. (A) It shall be unlawful for any person, except state, county, or municipal law enforcement officers ~~or~~ and personnel or school personnel authorized by school officials, to carry on his person, while on any elementary or secondary school property, a knife, with a blade over two inches long, a blackjack, a metal pipe or pole, firearms, or any other type of weapon, device, or object which may be used to inflict bodily injury or death. School officials may require school personnel to receive weapons training before authorizing school personnel to carry a weapon on school property.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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