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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 24‑3‑975 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPAL DETENTION FACILITY SHALL NOT INTERCEPT, RECORD, MONITOR, OR DIVULGE ANY COMMUNICATION BETWEEN AN INMATE AND HIS ATTORNEY.

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

SECTION 1. Article 9, Chapter 3, Title 24 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 24‑3‑975. A state, county, or municipal detention facility shall not intercept, record, monitor, or divulge any communication between an inmate and his attorney.”

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

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