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**A79, R96, H3360**

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Summary: Center for School Safety and Targeted Violence

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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12/8/2022 House Prefiled

12/8/2022 House Referred to Committee on **Education and Public Works**

1/10/2023 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 145](h:\hj\20230110.docx))

1/10/2023 House Referred to Committee on **Education and Public Works** ([House Journal‑page 145](h:\hj\20230110.docx))

2/15/2023 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Felder

2/22/2023 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor:
Williams, Erickson, Bradley

3/1/2023 House Committee report: Favorable **Education and Public Works** ([House Journal‑page 35](h:\hj\20230301.docx))

3/2/2023 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Mitchell

3/7/2023 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). Beach, Harris, Magnuson, Pace, Oremus, JA Moore, White, Cromer, May, Killmartin, McCabe, TA Morgan, Wheeler, Wetmore ([House Journal‑page 31](h:\hj\20230307.docx))

3/8/2023 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Forrest,
B. Newton, Caskey

3/8/2023 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 72](h:\hj\20230308.docx))

3/8/2023 House Roll call Yeas-110 Nays-1 ([House Journal‑page 73](h:\hj\20230308.docx))

3/9/2023 House Adopted, sent to Senate ([House Journal‑page 38](h:\hj\20230309.docx))

3/14/2023 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 10](h:\sj\20230314.docx))

3/14/2023 Senate Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 10](h:\sj\20230314.docx))

5/2/2023 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Matthews,
Rice, Senn, Adams

5/9/2023 Senate Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 18](h:\sj\20230509.docx))

5/11/2023 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 156](h:\sj\20230511.docx))

5/11/2023 Senate Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 ([Senate Journal‑page 156](h:\sj\20230511.docx))

6/14/2023 Senate Read third time and enrolled ([Senate Journal‑page 21](h:\sj\20230614.docx))

6/14/2023 Ratified R 96

6/19/2023 Signed By Governor

6/26/2023 Effective date 06/19/23

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(A79, R96, H3360)

AN ACT to amend the South Carolina Code of Laws by adding article 17 to chapter 23, title 23 so as to establish the center for school safety and targeted violence within the state law enforcement division.

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

Center for School Safety and Targeted Violence

SECTION 1. Chapter 23, Title 23 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Article 17

Center for School Safety and Targeted Violence

Section 23‑3‑1500. (A) The Center for School Safety and Targeted Violence is established within the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED). The purpose of the center is to provide extensive training, education, and expertise in the fields of school safety and targeted violence.

(B) SLED shall adopt guidelines and establish procedures for training and educating local and state law enforcement, teachers, administrators, bus drivers, other school personnel, parents and the public on school safety and targeted violence.

(C) SLED may incorporate existing and new personnel from its Homeland Security Department, Investigative Services Department, Behavioral Science Unit and any other unit or department as assigned by the Chief of SLED as defined in Section 23‑3‑25.

Time Effective

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor and is contingent upon funding in the general appropriations act.

Ratified the 14th day of June, 2023.

Approved the 19th day of June, 2023.

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