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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 23‑1‑245 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS WITH APPROPRIATE JURISDICTION MAY NOT CHARGE A CIVIC CLUB WITH A STATEWIDE OR NATIONAL AFFILIATION, A CHURCH, OR A SCHOOL OR SCHOOL‑SPONSORING ORGANIZATION CONDUCTING A RAFFLE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ORGANIZATION WITH A VIOLATION OF LAW, BUT INSTEAD SHALL INFORM THE ORGANIZATION THAT THE CONDUCT OF A RAFFLE VIOLATES STATE LAW, AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS FOR THIS PROVISION TO APPLY.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Title 23 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 23‑1‑245. Law enforcement officials with appropriate jurisdiction may not charge a civic club with a statewide or national affiliation, a church, or a school or school‑sponsoring organization conducting a raffle for the benefit of the organization, where all the proceeds inure to the benefit of the organization, and no third party paid entity is operating the raffle, with a violation of law but instead shall inform the organization in writing that the conduct of the raffle violates state law. Any individual associated with the sponsoring organization also may not be charged. Any organization to which this section applies may not conduct more than two such raffles a calendar year.”

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

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