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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 44‑53‑125 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION TO PROVIDE DRUG ANALYSIS RESULTS WITHIN A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME AFTER A SAMPLE IS SUBMITTED BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Article 3, Chapter 53, Title 44 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 44‑53‑125. The Drug Analysis Department of the State Law Enforcement Division must provide the results of any sample submitted by a law enforcement agency to determine the presence, identity, aggregate quantity, or absence of a controlled substance no later than one hundred twenty days from the day the sample is submitted. If the results of the analysis are not provided within the time period required by this section, any criminal charges relating to the sample must be dismissed and expunged.

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

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