**South Carolina General Assembly**

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**S. 947**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

General Bill

Sponsors: Senators Hembree, Senn, McLeod and Rankin

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Introduced in the Senate on January 10, 2024

Introduced in the House on March 5, 2024

Currently residing in the Senate

Summary: Kidnapping

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

Date Body Action Description with journal page number

1/10/2024 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 6](h:\sj\20240110.docx))

1/10/2024 Senate Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 6](h:\sj\20240110.docx))

1/19/2024 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Rice, Senn,
Adams, Tedder

2/21/2024 Senate Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 11](h:\sj\20240221.docx))

2/28/2024 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 43](h:\sj\20240228.docx))

2/28/2024 Senate Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 ([Senate Journal‑page 43](h:\sj\20240228.docx))

2/29/2024 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 13](h:\sj\20240229.docx))

3/5/2024 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 26](h:\hj\20240305.docx))

3/5/2024 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 26](h:\hj\20240305.docx))

5/1/2024 House Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary**

5/7/2024 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). Hiott, Carter, Sessions, Blackwell, McCravy, MM Smith, West ([House Journal‑page 128](h:\hj\20240507.docx))

5/8/2024 House Debate adjourned ([House Journal‑page 259](h:\hj\20240508.docx))

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Committee Report

May 01, 2024

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Introduced by Senators Hembree, Senn, McLeod and Rankin

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The committee on House Judiciary

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 947) to amend the South Carolina Code of Laws by amending Section 16‑3‑910, relating to kidnapping, so as to allow sentencing for the crime of kidnapping and other crimes, etc., respectfully

Report:

That they have duly and carefully considered the same, and recommend that the same do pass:

W. NEWTON for Committee.

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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16‑3‑910, RELATING TO KIDNAPPING, SO AS TO ALLOW SENTENCING FOR THE CRIME OF KIDNAPPING AND OTHER CRIMES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 16‑3‑910 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 16‑3‑910. Whoever shallA person who unlawfully seize, confine, inveigle, decoy, kidnap, abduct or carry away seizes, confines, inveigles, decoys, kidnaps, abducts, or carries away any other person by any means whatsoever without authority of law, except when a minor is seized or taken by his parent, is guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, must be imprisoned for a period not to exceed thirty years unless sentenced for murder as provided in Section 16‑3‑20.

SECTION 2. Nothing contained in this section may be construed to repeal, replace, or preclude application of any other criminal statute.

SECTION 3. The repeal or amendment by this act of any law, whether temporary or permanent or civil or criminal, does not affect pending actions, rights, duties, or liabilities founded thereon, or alter, discharge, release or extinguish any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred under the repealed or amended law, unless the repealed or amended provision shall so expressly provide. After the effective date of this act, all laws repealed or amended by this act must be taken and treated as remaining in full force and effect for the purpose of sustaining any pending or vested right, civil action, special proceeding, criminal prosecution, or appeal existing as of the effective date of this act, and for the enforcement of rights, duties, penalties, forfeitures, and liabilities as they stood under the repealed or amended laws.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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