South Carolina Supreme Court. The relevant South Carolina statute is reprinted below.

S.C. Code Ann. § 20-7-50 provides:

> Any person having the legal custody of any child or helpless person, who shall, without lawful excuse, refuse or neglect to provide . . . the proper care and attention for such child or helpless person, so that the life, health or comfort of such child or helpless person is endangered or is likely to be endangered, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished within the discretion of the circuit court.

Would you hold Whitner guilty of child neglect? See *Whitner v. State*, 492 S.E.2d 777 (S.C. 1997).

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