

## Session 113 - (1999-2000)

**H\*3420 (Rat #0417, Act #0345 of 2000) General Bill, By Klauber, Campsen, Altman, Knotts, Hawkins, Loftis, Sandifer, Cooper, Woodrum, Lanford, Harrison, Fleming, Taylor, Young-Brickell, Limehouse, Vaughn, Rodgers, Chellis, Keegan, Barrett and Robinson**

**Summary:** Firearm or ammunition manufacturer, etc.; products liability action for design defect; Torts, Courts, Weapons, Consumer

A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 73, TITLE 15, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SELLERS OF DEFECTIVE PRODUCTS, BY ADDING SECTION 15-73-40, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT, IN A PRODUCTS LIABILITY ACTION INVOLVING FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION, WHETHER A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION SHELL IS DEFECTIVE IN DESIGN MUST NOT BE BASED ON A COMPARISON OR WEIGHING OF THE BENEFITS OF THE PRODUCT AGAINST THE RISK OF INJURY, DAMAGE, OR DEATH POSED BY ITS POTENTIAL TO CAUSE THAT INJURY, DAMAGE, OR DEATH WHEN DISCHARGED, AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS THE PLAINTIFF MUST PROVE IN A PRODUCTS LIABILITY ACTION BROUGHT AGAINST A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION MANUFACTURER, IMPORTER, DISTRIBUTOR, OR RETAILER THAT ALLEGES A DESIGN DEFECT.-AMENDED TITLE

<b>02/02/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time HJ-7</b>
<b>02/02/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-8</b>
<b>04/13/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary HJ-8</b>
<b>04/15/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned HJ-13</b>
<b>04/20/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Objection by Rep. Neal, Howard, J. Brown, Lloyd, Cobb-Hunter, Moody-Lawrence, M. Hines, Mack, Breeland and McGee HJ-18</b>
<b>04/20/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Requests for debate-Rep(s). Harrison, Cato and Campsen HJ-18</b>
<b>04/21/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Thursday, April 22, 1999 HJ-100</b>
<b>04/27/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended HJ-64</b>
<b>04/27/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time HJ-69</b>
<b>04/27/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Roll call Yeas-74 Nays-24 HJ-69</b>
<b>04/28/99</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-43</b>
<b>04/29/99</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time SJ-10</b>
<b>04/29/99</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-10</b>
<b>04/20/00</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Recalled from Committee on Judiciary SJ-3</b>
<b>05/16/00</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Special order SJ-42</b>
<b>05/30/00</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Amended SJ-87</b>
<b>05/30/00</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time SJ-87</b>
<b>05/30/00</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-87</b>
<b>05/31/00</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-88</b>
<b>06/01/00</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-36</b>
<b>06/08/00</b>		<b>Ratified R 417</b>
<b>06/14/00</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>06/14/00</b>		<b>Effective date 06/14/00 and applies prospectively to all actions which arise or accue on or after this date</b>
<b>06/27/00</b>		<b>Copies available</b>
<b>06/27/00</b>		<b>Act No. 345</b>