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H 3988 General Bill, By Davis, M.M. Smith, B.J. Cox, Pedalino, Forrest, Wheeler, Kirby and Guffey Similar (S 0505)

Summary: Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-30, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE PHARMACY PRACTICE ACT, SO AS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ACTS THAT CONSTITUTE THE PRACTICE OF PHARMACY, TO PERMIT THE DELEGATION OF CERTAIN ACTS TO TRAINED PHARMACY TECHNICIANS AND PHARMACY INTERNS, AND TO DEFINE AN ADDITIONAL TERM; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-84, RELATING TO PHARMACY INTERNS AND EXTERNS, SO AS TO REMOVE CERTAIN DIRECT SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-190, RELATING TO PROTOCOL FOR PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES WITHOUT PRACTITIONER ORDERS, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE DISPENSATION OF CERTAIN DRUGS AND DEVICES, TO LOWER THE VACCINATION RECIPIENT AGE TO TWELVE YEARS OF AGE, TO AUTHORIZE DIRECTLY SUPERVISED PHARMACY INTERNS TO ADMINISTER CERTAIN VACCINATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE WRITTEN PROTOCOL REQUIREMENTS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-200, RELATING TO THE JOINT PHARMACIST-ADMINISTERED VACCINES COMMITTEE, SO AS TO RENAME THE COMMITTEE AS THE "JOINT PHARMACIST ACCESS COMMITTEE" AND MAKE OTHER CONFORMING CHANGES; AND TO PROVIDE THE PHARMACIST ACCESS COMMITTEE MUST SUBMIT ITS INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF PHARMACY NO LATER THAN FOUR MONTHS AFTER THE PASSAGE OF THIS ACT, AND PERIODICALLY THEREAFTER AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMITTEE.

| 02/16/23 | House | Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 16) |
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| 02/16/23 | House | Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 16) |
| 03/15/23 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Forrest |
| 02/13/24 | House | Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: Herbkersman |
| 02/28/24 | House | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs |
| | | (House Journal-page 14) |
| 02/29/24 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Wheeler |
| 03/01/24 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 03/06/24 | House | Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 59) |
| 03/07/24 | House | Requests for debate-Rep(s). Harris (House Journal-page 30) |
| 03/07/24 | House | Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 30) |
| 03/07/24 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Kirby |
| 03/15/24 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 03/19/24 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Guffey |
| 03/19/24 | House | Amended (House Journal-page 14) |
| 03/20/24 | House | Amended (House Journal-page 59) |
| 03/20/24 | House | Read second time (House Journal-page 59) |
| 03/20/24 | House | Roll call Yeas-104 Nays-2 (House Journal-page 62) |
| 03/21/24 | House | Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 28) |
| 03/21/24 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 03/26/24 | Senate | Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 5) |
| 03/26/24 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 5) |
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Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical Affairs