

## Session 125 - (2023-2024)

**H\*4159 (Rat #0125, Act #0120 of 2024) General Bill, By Herbkersman, Davis, M.M. Smith, Erickson, W. Newton, Bradley, Ballentine, Hewitt and Blackwell**

**Summary:** Telehealth and Telemedicine Modernization Act

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA TELEHEALTH AND TELEMEDICINE MODERNIZATION ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 42 TO TITLE 40 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS AND PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN REGULATED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS WHO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE BY MEANS OF TELEHEALTH; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT, SO AS TO DEFINE "TELEHEALTH"; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-37, RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF TELEMEDICINE, SO AS TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEMEDICINE AND TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS CONCERNING TELEHEALTH; TO AMEND SECTION 40-33-34, RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY OF ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES TO PRACTICE TELEMEDICINE, SO AS TO ALSO AUTHORIZE THE PRACTICE OF TELEHEALTH BY ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES AND TO CLARIFY THAT LICENSURE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THIS STATE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES TO PRACTICE TELEMEDICINE OR TELEHEALTH EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE REQUIRED; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-47-935, RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS TO PRACTICE TELEMEDICINE, SO AS TO ALSO AUTHORIZE THE PRACTICE OF TELEHEALTH BY PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND TO CLARIFY THAT LICENSURE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THIS STATE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS TO PRACTICE TELEMEDICINE OR TELEHEALTH EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE REQUIRED. - RATIFIED TITLE

03/15/23	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 9)
03/15/23	House	Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 9)
03/17/23		Scrivener's error corrected
05/03/23	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 58)
05/04/23	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Blackwell
05/04/23	House	Amended (House Journal-page 68)
05/04/23	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 68)
05/04/23	House	Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 68)
05/04/23	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 71)
05/05/23	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 4)
05/09/23	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 13)
05/09/23	Senate	Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 13)
01/18/24	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 9)
01/19/24		Scrivener's error corrected
01/24/24	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 16)
01/24/24	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 16)
01/25/24	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 9)
01/25/24	Senate	Roll call Ayes-41 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 9)
01/31/24	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 32)
01/31/24	House	Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 32)
03/07/24		Ratified R 125
03/11/24		Signed By Governor
03/14/24		Effective date 03/11/24
03/14/24		Act No. 120