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## Session 124 - (2021-2022)

H\*4776 (Rat #0269, Act #0235 of 2022) General Bill, By Willis, McCravy, Thayer, Bailey, Wooten, B. Cox, McGarry, Magnuson, Pope, Taylor, G.R. Smith, Gilliam, Jones, M.M. Smith, Trantham, Erickson, Huggins, Long, Hiott, Burns, May, Haddon, Oremus, Bennett, Daning, T. Moore, Chumley, Nutt, Hyde, Dabney, McCabe, Bryant, Forrest, Hixon, J.E. Johnson, Lucas, Morgan and D.C. Moss

Similar (S 0811, S 1130, H 3518)

Summary: Medical Ethics and Diversity Act

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "MEDICAL ETHICS AND DIVERSITY ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 139 TO TITLE 44 SO AS TO SET FORTH FINDINGS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGARDING THE RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE IN THE HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY; TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS; TO AUTHORIZE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS, HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS, AND HEALTH CARE PAYERS NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN HEALTH CARE SERVICES THAT VIOLATE THE PRACTITIONER'S OR ENTITY'S CONSCIENCE AND TO PROTECT THESE INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES FROM CIVIL, CRIMINAL, OR ADMINISTRATIVE LIABILITY AND FROM DISCRIMINATION FOR EXERCISING THEIR PERSONAL RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE, WITH EXCEPTIONS; TO ALLOW MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS AND HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS TO FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE STATE HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION FOR AN ALLEGED VIOLATION OF THE CHAPTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 44-41-55, RELATING TO THE RIGHT OF CERTAIN MEDICAL PROVIDERS NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN ABORTION PROCEDURES, SO AS ALSO TO APPLY TO MEDICAL STUDENTS. - ratified title

01/12/22	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 35)
01/12/22	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 35)
03/09/22	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 36)
03/10/22	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). Willis and Elliott (House Journal-page 72)
03/29/22	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). Willis, Trantham, Hiott, Carter, May, McGarry, SV Moss, McCabe,
		Callhoon, Weeks, Wetmore, Nutt, Magnuson, McCravy, Kirby, Burns, Hart, King, S Williams, Hill,
		Wheeler, McKnight (House Journal-page 48)
03/30/22	House	Amended (House Journal-page 50)
03/30/22	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 50)
03/30/22	House	Roll call Yeas-71 Nays-32 (House Journal-page 61)
03/31/22	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 20)
03/31/22	House	Roll call Yeas-81 Nays-26 (House Journal-page 20)
03/31/22	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 6)
03/31/22	Senate	Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 6)
03/31/22		Scrivener's error corrected
05/04/22	Senate	Recalled from Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 55)
05/04/22	Senate	Special order, set for May 4, 2022 (Senate Journal-page 56)
05/04/22	Senate	Roll call Ayes-29 Nays-14 (Senate Journal-page 56)
05/05/22	Senate	Debate interrupted (Senate Journal-page 40)
05/10/22	Senate	Amended (Senate Journal-page 28)
05/10/22	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 28)
05/10/22	Senate	Roll call Ayes-28 Nays-15 (Senate Journal-page 28)
05/11/22	Senate	Read third time (Senate Journal-page 188)
05/12/22	House	Non-concurrence in Senate amendment (House Journal-page 94)
05/12/22	House	Roll call Yeas-0 Nays-109 (House Journal-page 106)
05/12/22	Senate	Senate insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Kimbrell, Grooms, Hutto
		(Senate Journal-page 112)
05/12/22	House	Conference committee appointed McCravey, Willis, Hayes (House Journal-page 133)
06/15/22	Senate	Conference report received and adopted (Senate Journal-page 178)
06/15/22	Senate	Roll call Ayes-23 Nays-13 (Senate Journal-page 178)
06/15/22	House	Conference report received and adopted (House Journal-page 79)
06/15/22	House	Roll call Yeas-76 Nays-31 (House Journal-page 88)
06/15/22	House	Ordered enrolled for ratification (House Journal-page 236)
06/16/22		Ratified R 269
06/17/22		Signed By Governor

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