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Summary: Student Athletes

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-63-95 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO POST ON IT'S WEBSITE GUIDELINES AND MODEL POLICIES FOR IDENTIFYING AND MANAGING SUSPECTED CONCUSSIONS IN STUDENT ATHLETES, TO REQUIRE EACH LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO DEVELOP CONCUSSION GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES, TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ANNUALLY PROVIDE INFORMATION ON CONCUSSIONS AND BRAIN INJURIES TO STUDENT ATHLETES AND THEIR PARENTS, TO REQUIRE A STUDENT ATHLETE TO BE REMOVED FROM PLAY IF BELIEVED TO HAVE SUSTAINED A CONCUSSION, AND TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR RETURNING AN ATHLETE TO PLAY, FOR FURTHER EVALUATION, AND FOR RETURNING TO PLAY AFTER FURTHER EVALUATION, AND TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY FOR TRAINERS AND PHYSICIANS WHO EVALUATE AND RETURN A STUDENT TO PLAY DURING A PRACTICE OR AN ATHLETIC COMPETITION, WHETHER THE TRAINER OR PHYSICIAN WAS A VOLUNTEER OR PAID.

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