COMMITTEE REPORT

May 3, 2017

**S. 371**

Introduced by Medical Affairs Committee

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**THE COMMITTEE ON REGULATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

To whom was referred a Joint Resolution (S. 371) to approve regulations of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation - Board of Examiners in Opticianry, relating to Examinations; Apprenticeship; and Continuing Education Requirements, designated as Regulation, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

ERIC M. BEDINGFIELD for Committee.

**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTICIANRY, RELATING TO EXAMINATIONS; APPRENTICESHIP; AND CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4723, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. The regulations of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation - Board of Examiners in Opticianry, relating to Examinations; Apprenticeship; and Continuing Education Requirements, designated as Regulation Document Number 4723, and submitted to the General Assembly pursuant to the provisions of Article 1, Chapter 23, Title 1 of the 1976 Code, are approved.

SECTION 2. This joint resolution takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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SUMMARY AS SUBMITTED

BY PROMULGATING AGENCY.

The South Carolina Board of Examiners in Opticianry proposes to amend its regulations to clarify the waiting period after unsuccessful examination attempts; to clarify that apprenticeship is a training period and not a subclass of practice; and to adjust continuing education requirements to comport with biennial licensure.

A Notice of Drafting was published in the *State Register* on September 23, 2016.

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