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S*0449 (Rat #0138, Act #0166 of 2026) General Bill, By Verdin and Kimbrell

Summary: Collaborative Practice Agreements

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-30, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA PHARMACY PRACTICE ACT, SO AS TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENTS; BY ADDING SECTION 40-43-245 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE PHARMACISTS AND PHYSICIANS TO ENTER INTO COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR PHYSICIANS AND MISCELLANEOUS HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENTS; BY ADDING SECTION 40-47-205 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE PHYSICIANS AND PHARMACISTS TO ENTER INTO COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENTS; AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY AND THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENTS AND TO PROVIDE THAT COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENTS MAY NOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL AFTER THE REGULATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE. - RATIFIED TITLE

03/13/25	**Senate**	**Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 3)**
03/13/25	**Senate**	**Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 3)**
04/30/25	**Senate**	**Committee report: Favorable Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 9)**
05/06/25	**Senate**	**Read second time (Senate Journal-page 58)**
05/06/25	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-44 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 58)**
05/07/25	**Senate**	**Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 37)**
05/08/25	**House**	**Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 47)**
05/08/25	**House**	**Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 47)**
03/25/26	**House**	**Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 3)**
03/26/26	**House**	**Amended (House Journal-page 38)**
03/26/26	**House**	**Read second time (House Journal-page 38)**
03/26/26	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-108 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 40)**
03/26/26	**House**	**Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 42)**
03/27/26	**House**	**Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 2)**
03/31/26		**Scrivener's error corrected**
05/05/26	**Senate**	**Non-concurrence in House amendment (Senate Journal-page 69)**
05/13/26	**House**	**House recedes from amendment(s) (House Journal-page 102)**
05/13/26	**House**	**Ordered enrolled for ratification (House Journal-page 103)**
05/14/26		**Ratified R 138**
05/18/26		**Signed By Governor**
06/05/26		**Effective date 05/18/26**
06/02/26		**Act No. 166**