

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

S 0477 General Bill, By Davis and Ott

Summary: Pharmacy access

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-210, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF A "SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVE" IN THE PHARMACY PRACTICE ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-230, RELATING TO PHARMACISTS PERMITTED TO DISPENSE SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, SO AS TO PROVIDE SUCH DISPENSATIONS MAY BE MADE PURSUANT TO CERTAIN WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-240, RELATING TO WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS BY THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND THE BOARD OF PHARMACY TO AUTHORIZE PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES WITHOUT PATIENT-SPECIFIC WRITTEN ORDERS, SO AS TO INSTEAD PROVIDE THE DISPENSATIONS MAY BE MADE UNDER STANDING ORDERS OR WITHOUT STANDING ORDERS WHEN DISPENSED OR ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO CERTAIN WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS.

03/20/25 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 3)
03/20/25 Senate Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 3)
04/30/25 Senate Committee report: Favorable Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 10)
05/06/25 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal-page 60)
05/06/25 Senate Roll call Ayes-44 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 60)
05/07/25 Senate Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 38)
05/08/25 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 48)
05/08/25 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 48)
01/29/26 House Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)
02/03/26 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). McCravy, Frank, Beach, Edgerton, Magnuson, Guffy, Terribile, Long (House Journal-page 17)
02/11/26 House Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 19)
02/17/26 House Amended (House Journal-page 16)
02/17/26 House Read second time (House Journal-page 16)
02/17/26 House Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-5 (House Journal-page 17)
02/18/26 House Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 15)
02/24/26 Senate Non-concurrence in House amendment (Senate Journal-page 25)
02/24/26 Senate Roll call Ayes-6 Nays-38 (Senate Journal-page 25)
04/02/26 House House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. Guest, Calhoon, and Bernstein