

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

S*0477 (Rat #0142, Act #0167 of 2026) General Bill, By Davis and Ott

Summary: Pharmacy access

AN ACT 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. - RATIFIED TITLE

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 (House Journal-page 2)
04/14/26 Senate Conference committee appointed Davis, Matthews, and Garrett (Senate Journal-page 12)
04/29/26 Senate Conference report adopted (Senate Journal-page 118)
04/29/26 Senate Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 118)
05/13/26 House Conference report received and adopted (House Journal-page 142)
05/13/26 House Roll call Yeas-98 Nays-15 (House Journal-page 143)
05/13/26 Senate Ordered enrolled for ratification (Senate Journal-page 25)
05/14/26 Ratified R 142
05/18/26 Signed By Governor
05/27/26 Effective date 05/18/26
05/27/26 Act No. 167