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S 0212 General Bill, By Thomas

Summary: Voluntary drug testing program established by school districts for students in grades 6-12; Narcotics and Drugs

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-345 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ESTABLISH A VOLUNTARY DRUG TESTING PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE WHEREBY SUCH STUDENTS, WITH THE CONSENT OF THEIR PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS, MAY BE TESTED FOR DRUGS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE RESULTS OF THE TESTS, IF POSITIVE, SHALL BE COMMUNICATED TO THE CHILD AND HIS PARENTS OR GUARDIAN, BUT SHALL NOT BE REPORTED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES OR COURT OFFICIALS, AND NO LEGAL, JUDICIAL, OR SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST THE CHILD, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DISTRICT SHALL OFFER AN IN-SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WHOSE TEST RESULTS ARE POSITIVE OR REFERRAL INFORMATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING NONSCHOOL COUNSELING.

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