

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 3046 General Bill, By T. Moore, Lawson, Wooten, Pope, Chapman, Spann-Wilder, McCravy, W. Newton, Vaughan, C. Mitchell, Rankin, Long, Oremus, Gibson, Burns, Edgerton, Guffey, Govan, Wickensimer, Caskey, Forrest, Yow, Cromer, Gilreath, Schuessler, B. Newton, Hixon, Gagnon, Calhoon, M.M. Smith, Davis, Taylor, Erickson and Bradley
Similar (S 0029, H 3043)

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-375, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN OFFENSES AGAINST MINORS, SO AS TO REVISE DEFINITIONS AND ADD THE TERMS "IDENTIFIABLE MINOR" AND "MORPHED IMAGE"; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-395, RELATING TO FIRST DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE MINORS AS AN OFFENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-405, RELATING TO SECOND DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE MINORS AS AN OFFENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-410, RELATING TO THIRD DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR; SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE MINORS AS AN OFFENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-3-430, RELATING TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, SO AS TO INCLUDE THOSE GUILTY OF CRIMINAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR IN THE FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD DEGREE AS A TIER II OFFENDER; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-3-462, RELATING TO TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO CLARIFY POSSIBLE TERMINATION REQUIREMENTS AND INCLUDE TIER I AND TIER II DESIGNATIONS FOR OUT-OF-STATE OR FEDERAL CONVICTIONS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-342, RELATING TO CRIMINAL SOLICITATION OF A MINOR, BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-387, RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT OF A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN TO APPEAR IN PUBLIC IN A STATE OF SEXUALLY EXPLICIT NUDITY, AND BY AMENDING SECTION 44-48-30, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR PURPOSES OF THE SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR ACT, ALL SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

- 12/05/24 House Prefiled**
- 12/05/24 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary**
- 01/14/25 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 78)**
- 01/14/25 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 78)**
- 01/16/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Vaughan**
- 01/28/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: C.Mitchell, Rankin, Long, Oremus, Gibson, Burns, Edgerton**
- 02/18/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Guffey**
- 02/26/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Govan, Wickensimer**
- 02/26/25 House Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 77)**
- 02/27/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Caskey**
- 02/27/25 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 03/04/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Forrest**
- 03/04/25 House Debate adjourned until Wed., 3-5-25 (House Journal-page 26)**
- 03/04/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Yow, Cromer, Gilreath**
- 03/05/25 House Debate adjourned until Thur., 3-6-25 (House Journal-page 23)**
- 03/05/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Schuessler**
- 03/06/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: B.Newton, Hixon**
- 03/06/25 House Debate adjourned until Tue., 3-11-25 (House Journal-page 21)**
- 03/06/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Gagnon**
- 03/11/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Calhoon**
- 03/25/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: M.M.Smith, Davis**
- 03/25/25 House Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 49)**
- 03/26/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Taylor**
- 03/26/25 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). B Newton, Forrest, BL Cox, Martin, Ligon, Taylor, Whitmire, Yow, Hager (House Journal-page 16)**
- 03/26/25 House Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 44)**
- 03/27/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Gilliard, Anderson, Rivers**
- 03/27/25 House Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 32)**
- 04/01/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Erickson, Bradley**
- 04/01/25 House Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: Rivers, Anderson, Gilliard**
- 04/01/25 House Read second time (House Journal-page 31)**

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04/01/25	House	Roll call Yeas-96 Nays-19 (House Journal-page 31)
04/02/25	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 82)
04/10/25	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 2)
04/10/25	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 2)