

Session 123 - (2019-2020)

H 3239 General Bill, By Rutherford

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "UNIFORM ANTIDISCRIMINATION ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 1-13-20, RELATING TO THE POLICY OF THE STATE HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION, SO AS TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF "DISCRIMINATION" TO INCLUDE DISCRIMINATION BASED ON GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION; TO AMEND SECTION 1-13-80, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES, SO AS TO ESTABLISH THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR AN EMPLOYER TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST AN INDIVIDUAL BECAUSE OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION; TO AMEND SECTION 1-32-60, RELATING TO THE APPLICABILITY AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACT, SO AS TO ESTABLISH THAT THE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACT DOES NOT ALLOW A PERSON TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST AN INDIVIDUAL BASED ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S RACE, RELIGION, COLOR, SEX, GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AGE, NATIONAL ORIGIN, OR DISABILITY; TO AMEND SECTION 31-21-40, RELATING TO FAIR HOUSING, SO AS TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST AN INDIVIDUAL BASED ON THEIR GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION WHEN SELLING OR RENTING PROPERTY; TO AMEND SECTION 31-21-50, RELATING TO FAIR HOUSING, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE DENIAL OF ACCESS TO, OR MEMBERSHIP OR PARTICIPATION IN, A MULTIPLE-LISTING SERVICE OR SIMILAR SERVICE OR ORGANIZATION BASED ON THE PERSON'S GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION; TO AMEND SECTION 31-21-60, RELATING TO FAIR HOUSING, SO AS TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION IN RELATION TO RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE-RELATED TRANSACTIONS BASED ON A PERSON'S GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION; TO AMEND SECTION 44-69-80, RELATING TO HOME HEALTH AGENCIES, SO AS TO PROHIBIT A HOME HEALTH AGENCY FROM DISCRIMINATING AGAINST A PATIENT OR POTENTIAL PATIENT ON THE BASIS OF GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION; TO AMEND SECTION 44-71-90, RELATING TO HOSPICE PROGRAMS, SO AS TO PROHIBIT A HOSPICE PROGRAM FROM DISCRIMINATING AGAINST A PATIENT OR POTENTIAL PATIENT ON THE BASIS OF GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 45-9-10, RELATING TO HOTELS, MOTELS, RESTAURANTS, AND BOARDINGHOUSES, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST A PERSON OR SEGREGATION FROM A PLACE OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX, GENDER IDENTITY, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

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