

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 3431 General Bill, By W. Newton, Wooten, Pope, Martin, Pedalino, McCravy, Bernstein, Guffey, Govan, T. Moore, Erickson, Bradley, Robbins, Calhoon, M.M. Smith and Crawford

Summary: South Carolina Social Media Regulation Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 9 TO CHAPTER 5, TITLE 39 SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS; TO PROVIDE THAT A SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANY MAY NOT PERMIT CERTAIN MINORS TO BE ACCOUNT HOLDERS; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANIES; TO PROVIDE THAT A SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANY SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN PARENTS OR GUARDIANS WITH CERTAIN INFORMATION; TO PROVIDE THAT A SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANY SHALL RESTRICT SOCIAL MEDIA ACCESS TO MINORS DURING CERTAIN HOURS; TO PROVIDE FOR CONSUMER COMPLAINTS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE CONSUMER SERVICES DIVISION HAS AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS; TO PROVIDE FOR AN ANNUAL REPORT; TO PROVIDE FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION; AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN WAIVERS AND LIMITATIONS ARE VOID.

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| 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 199) |
| 01/14/25 | House | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 199) |
| 01/29/25 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Bernstein, Guffey, Govan |
| 02/04/25 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: T.Moore, Erickson, Bradley |
| 02/11/25 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Robbins |
| 02/13/25 | House | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 25) |
| 02/18/25 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Oremus, Hartz, Calhoon, M.M.Smith |
| 02/18/25 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 02/19/25 | House | Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: Oremus |
| 02/18/25 | House | Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: Hartz |
| 02/19/25 | House | Requests for debate-Rep(s). Bamberg, Cromer, Gilreath, Edgerton, Magnuson, Morgan, King, Hart, Gilliaard, Rivers, White |
| 02/19/25 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Crawford |
| 02/19/25 | House | Amended (House Journal-page 29) |
| 02/19/25 | House | Read second time (House Journal-page 29) |
| 02/19/25 | House | Roll call Yeas-90 Nays-17 (House Journal-page 56) |
| 02/20/25 | House | Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 32) |
| 02/20/25 | House | Roll call Yeas-89 Nays-14 (House Journal-page 32) |
| 02/21/25 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 02/26/25 | Senate | Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 10) |
| 02/26/25 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry (Senate Journal-page 10) |
| 04/24/25 | Senate | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry (Senate Journal-page 11) |
| 05/01/25 | Senate | Committee Amendment Adopted |
| 05/01/25 | Senate | Amended |
| 05/01/25 | Senate | Read second time |
| 05/01/25 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-39 Nays-0 |
| 05/05/25 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 05/06/25 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 36) |
| 05/06/25 | Senate | Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 36) |
| 05/06/25 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 36) |
| 05/12/25 | | Scrivener's error corrected |