

## Session 125 - (2023-2024)

### H 3488 General Bill, By Beach and Chumley

#### **Summary:** Religious Freedom of Marriage Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "RELIGIOUS FREEDOM OF MARRIAGE ACT"; BY ADDING SECTION 20-1-225 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE SELECTION OF DIVORCE GROUNDS ON THE MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; BY AMENDING SECTION 20-3-10, RELATING TO GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE, SO AS TO REQUIRE MUTUAL APPLICATION FOR A DIVORCE BASED ON THE GROUND OF LIVING SEPARATE AND APART AND TO MAKE OTHER RELATED CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-3-658, RELATING TO CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT WHEN THE VICTIM IS A SPOUSE, SO AS TO CHANGE THE EXCEPTION RELATED TO PURPORTED MARRIAGES OF MINORS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 20-1-100, RELATING TO THE MINIMUM AGE FOR A VALID MARRIAGE, SO AS TO APPLY ALSO TO OUT-OF-STATE MARRIAGES.

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