

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H*4679 (Rat #0198, Act #0150 of 2026) General Bill, By C. Mitchell, B.L. Cox, M.M. Smith, Wooten, Chapman, W. Newton, Herbkersman, Wickensimer, Guest, McCravy, Hartnett, Gilliard, Rivers and Williams

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA DRONE REGULATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 55 SO AS TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE LAWFUL AND UNLAWFUL OPERATION OF DRONES, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE UNLAWFUL OPERATION OF DRONES; AND BY REPEALING SECTIONS 24-1-300 AND 24-5-175 RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL OPERATION OF UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES NEAR CERTAIN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AND LOCAL DETENTION FACILITIES. - RATIFIED TITLE

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| 12/16/25 | House | Prefiled |
| 12/16/25 | House | Referred to Committee on Judiciary |
| 01/13/26 | House | Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 55) |
| 01/13/26 | House | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 55) |
| 01/20/26 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Wooten, Chapman |
| 03/10/26 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: W.Newton, Herbkersman |
| 03/25/26 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Wickensimer |
| 03/31/26 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Guest, McCravy |
| 04/02/26 | House | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 5) |
| 04/13/26 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 04/14/26 | House | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hartnett, Gilliard, Rivers, Williams |
| 04/14/26 | House | Amended (House Journal-page 23) |
| 04/14/26 | House | Read second time (House Journal-page 23) |
| 04/14/26 | House | Roll call Yeas-108 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 35) |
| 04/15/26 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 04/15/26 | House | Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 15) |
| 04/15/26 | Senate | Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 41) |
| 04/15/26 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Transportation (Senate Journal-page 41) |
| 05/06/26 | Senate | Recalled from Committee on Transportation (Senate Journal-page 4) |
| 05/07/26 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 65) |
| 05/07/26 | Senate | Read second time (Senate Journal-page 65) |
| 05/07/26 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-46 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 65) |
| 05/08/26 | | Scrivener's error corrected |
| 05/12/26 | Senate | Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 27) |
| 05/13/26 | House | Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 14) |
| 05/13/26 | House | Roll call Yeas-92 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 14) |
| 05/14/26 | | Ratified R 198 |
| 05/15/26 | | Signed By Governor |
| 05/26/26 | | Effective date 01/01/27 |
| 05/26/26 | | Act No. 150 |