

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 4763 General Bill, By Oremus, Brittain, W. Newton, Bailey, Bradley, Brewer, Caskey, Crawford, Duncan, Erickson, Forrest, Gagnon, Gatch, Gilliam, Guest, Haddon, Hardee, Hartnett, Hartz, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, J.E. Johnson, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Martin, McCravy, C. Mitchell, B. Newton, Pedalino, Pope, Robbins, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G.M. Smith, M.M. Smith, Taylor, Teeple, Vaughan, Whitmire, Willis, Wooten, Yow, Terrible, White, Lastinger, Wickensimer, Atkinson, Chapman, Gibson, Cromer and Gilreath

Similar (S 0175, H 3535)

Summary: Helping Alleviate Lawful Obstruction (HALO) Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO ENACT THE "HELPING ALLEVIATE LAWFUL OBSTRUCTION (HALO) ACT"; AND BY ADDING SECTION 16-3-1092 SO AS TO DEFINE THE TERMS "EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE PROVIDER", "FIRST RESPONDER", AND "HARASS", TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO APPROACH, IMPEDE, CAUSE HARM TO, OR HARASS A FIRST RESPONDER OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE PROVIDER AFTER RECEIVING A VERBAL WARNING, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY.

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 107)
01/13/26	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 107)
01/20/26	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: White
02/24/26	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Lastinger
02/25/26	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Wickensimer
02/25/26	House	Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 3)
02/25/26	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Atkinson, Chapman
02/26/26		Scrivener's error corrected
03/03/26	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Gibson
03/03/26	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). B. Newton, Hewitt, Harris, Martin, T. Moore, Lawson, Duncan, King, Luck, Hosey, Caskey, and Guest (House Journal-page 35)
03/04/26	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Cromer, Gilreath
03/04/26	House	Amended (House Journal-page 55)
03/04/26	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 55)
03/04/26	House	Roll call Yeas-95 Nays-18 (House Journal-page 69)
03/05/26	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 12)
03/10/26	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 13)
03/10/26	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 13)
03/11/26	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 13)
03/26/26	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 21)
03/26/26	Senate	Amended (Senate Journal-page 21)
03/26/26	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 21)
03/26/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-34 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 21)