

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

**S\*0477 (Rat #0142, Act #0167 of 2026) General Bill, By Davis and Ott**

**Summary:** Pharmacy access

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-210, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF A "SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVE" IN THE PHARMACY PRACTICE ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-230, RELATING TO PHARMACISTS PERMITTED TO DISPENSE SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, SO AS TO PROVIDE SUCH DISPENSATIONS MAY BE MADE PURSUANT TO CERTAIN WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-240, RELATING TO WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS BY THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND THE BOARD OF PHARMACY TO AUTHORIZE PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES WITHOUT PATIENT-SPECIFIC WRITTEN ORDERS, SO AS TO INSTEAD PROVIDE THE DISPENSATIONS MAY BE MADE UNDER STANDING ORDERS OR WITHOUT STANDING ORDERS WHEN DISPENSED OR ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO CERTAIN WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS. - RATIFIED TITLE

**03/20/25 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 3)**  
**03/20/25 Senate Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 3)**  
**04/30/25 Senate Committee report: Favorable Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 10)**  
**05/06/25 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal-page 60)**  
**05/06/25 Senate Roll call Ayes-44 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 60)**  
**05/07/25 Senate Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 38)**  
**05/08/25 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 48)**  
**05/08/25 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 48)**  
**01/29/26 House Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)**  
**02/03/26 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). McCravy, Frank, Beach, Edgerton, Magnuson, Guffy, Terribile, Long (House Journal-page 17)**  
**02/11/26 House Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 19)**  
**02/17/26 House Amended (House Journal-page 16)**  
**02/17/26 House Read second time (House Journal-page 16)**  
**02/17/26 House Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-5 (House Journal-page 17)**  
**02/18/26 House Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 15)**  
**02/24/26 Senate Non-concurrence in House amendment (Senate Journal-page 25)**  
**02/24/26 Senate Roll call Ayes-6 Nays-38 (Senate Journal-page 25)**  
**04/02/26 House House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. Guest, Calhoon, and Bernstein (House Journal-page 2)**  
**04/14/26 Senate Conference committee appointed Davis, Matthews, and Garrett (Senate Journal-page 12)**  
**04/29/26 Senate Conference report adopted (Senate Journal-page 118)**  
**04/29/26 Senate Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 118)**  
**05/13/26 House Conference report received and adopted (House Journal-page 142)**  
**05/13/26 House Roll call Yeas-98 Nays-15 (House Journal-page 143)**  
**05/13/26 Senate Ordered enrolled for ratification (Senate Journal-page 25)**  
**05/14/26 Ratified R 142**  
**05/18/26 Signed By Governor**  
**05/27/26 Effective date 05/18/26**  
**05/27/26 Act No. 167**