

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 5446 General Bill, By Bamberg, Collins, Gatch, J.L. Johnson, Waters, Guffey, Hart and Jordan

Summary: Child Financial Assistance Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "CHILD FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 25 TO CHAPTER 17, TITLE 63 SO AS TO CREATE A CIVIL PROCESS TO PETITION THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR AN ORDER REQUIRING A PERSON WHO CAUSES THE DEATH OF THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A MINOR CHILD TO PAY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SUPPORT OF THE CHILD, WITH EXCEPTIONS, TO REQUIRE AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING AND THE CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN FACTORS AS PART OF DETERMINING APPROPRIATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 17-25-322, RELATING TO RESTITUTION FOR CRIME VICTIMS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

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