South Carolina Legislature

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S 0487 General Bill, By Talley and Reese Similar (S 0447, H 3917)

Summary: SC Electronic Notary Public Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 2 TO TITLE 26 SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRONIC NOTARY PUBLIC ACT", TO PROVIDE A CITATION, TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPLICABILITY OF THE CHAPTER, TO PROVIDE NOTARIES PUBLIC COMMISSIONED IN THIS STATE MAY REGISTER AS ELECTRONIC NOTARIES PUBLIC UPON SATISFYING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS, TO ENUMERATE NOTARIAL ACTS THAT MAY BE PERFORMED ELECTRONICALLY, TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES AND RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR PERFORMING NOTARIAL ACTS ELECTRONICALLY, TO PROVIDE A SCHEDULE OF FEES THAT ELECTRONIC NOTARIES PUBLIC MAY CHARGE FOR PERFORMING CERTAIN ELECTRONIC NOTARIAL ACTS AND TO ALLOW CERTAIN OTHER RELATED FEES, TO PROVIDE LIABILITY, SANCTIONS, AND REMEDIES FOR THE IMPROPER PERFORMANCE OF ELECTRONIC NOTARIAL ACTS OR FOR PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION IN REGISTERING TO PERFORM ELECTRONIC NOTARIAL ACTS ARE THE SAME AS PROVIDED BY LAW FOR THE IMPROPER PERFORMANCE OF NONELECTRONIC NOTARIAL ACTS, TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN CONDUCT AND PROVIDE THE CONDUCT CONSTITUTES A MISDEMEANOR SUBJECT TO CERTAIN PENALTIES, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFYING ELECTRONIC NOTARIAL ACTS, AND TO PROVIDE ELECTRONIC NOTARY PUBLIC APPLICATIONS MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR PROCESSING UNTIL THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ARE IN EFFECT AND VENDORS OF TECHNOLOGY ARE APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

02/06/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 36)

02/06/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Family and Veterans' Services (Senate Journal-page 36)