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S 1226 General Bill, By Cleary, Pinckney, Verdin, Grooms, Bright, Ford, Elliott, Scott, Ryberg, Bryant, Hutto, Rankin, Campbell, Setzler, Land, Shoopman, Campsen, Rose, Peeler, Leventis, Reese, Lourie, Fair, Thomas, Alexander, S. Martin, McConnell, Hayes and O'Dell Similar (H 4559)

Summary: Utilization of Unused Prescription Drugs Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 16 TO CHAPTER 53, TITLE 44 TO ENACT THE "UTILIZATION OF UNUSED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ACT" SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARD OF PHARMACY, SHALL DEVELOP A VOLUNTARY PROGRAM WHEREBY HEALTH CARE FACILITIES CAN DONATE UNUSED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS OF PATIENTS WHO NO LONGER NEED THEM AND WHO HAVE VOLUNTARILY AGREED TO DONATE THEIR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO CHARITABLE CLINICS PROVIDING SERVICES TO MEDICALLY INDIGENT PERSONS; TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN PROGRAM PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS MUST BE PROMULGATED IN REGULATION BY THE DEPARTMENT AND BY THE BOARD OF PHARMACY, INDIVIDUALLY, TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE; AND TO CREATE AN ADVISORY COUNCIL TO OVERSEE AND ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT IN ESTABLISHING THIS PROGRAM AND IN CARRYING OUT THE RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS ARTICLE; BY ADDING SECTION 44-53-60 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BOARD OF PHARMACY, SHALL DEVELOP A PROGRAM TO RECEIVE AND DISPOSE OF UNUSED MEDICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND SHALL DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR THE SAFE AND PROPER DISPOSAL OF MEDICATIONS WHICH MUST BE AVAILABLE AND DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC.

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