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S*0137 (Rat #0256, Act #0249 of 2006) General Bill, By Hayes and Elliott

Summary: Jurisdiction of Family Court to order custody of a minor child to the de facto custodian

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 20-7-420, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE FAMILY COURT, TO PROVIDE THAT THE FAMILY COURT MAY ORDER CUSTODY OF A MINOR CHILD BE AWARDED TO THE CHILD'S DE FACTO CUSTODIAN UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO ADD SECTION 20-7-1540, TO DEFINE "DE FACTO CUSTODIAN" AS A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN THE PRIMARY CAREGIVER AND FINANCIAL SUPPORTER OF A CHILD WHO HAS RESIDED WITH THAT PERSON FOR SIX MONTHS IF THE CHILD IS UNDER THREE YEARS OF AGE AND ONE YEAR IF THE CHILD IS THREE YEARS OLD OR OLDER, AND TO SPECIFY THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH CUSTODY OR VISITATION OF THE MINOR CHILD MAY BE AWARDED TO A DE FACTO CUSTODIAN. - ratified title

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04/21/05	**Senate**	**Polled out of committee Judiciary SJ-8**
04/21/05	**Senate**	**Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary SJ-8**
04/25/05	**Senate**	**Amended SJ-17**
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04/26/05	**Senate**	**Read third time and sent to House SJ-13**
04/27/05	**House**	**Introduced and read first time HJ-6**
04/27/05	**House**	**Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-7**
03/01/06	**House**	**Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary HJ-2**
03/02/06		**Scrivener's error corrected**
03/08/06	**House**	**Amended HJ-22**
03/08/06	**House**	**Read second time HJ-24**
03/09/06	**House**	**Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments HJ-15**
03/15/06	**Senate**	**Concurred in House amendment and enrolled SJ-42**
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