

## Session 121 - (2015-2016)

### **S 0167 General Bill, By Turner, Campbell and Corbin**

#### **Summary:** Hearing aids

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-25-60, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT OF A LICENSE FOR THE PRACTICE OF SPECIALIZING IN HEARING AIDS, SO AS TO EXPAND APPLICABILITY OF THE REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE OFFERS TO SELL HEARING AIDS THROUGH MAIL, INTERNET, OR OTHER MEANS; TO REVISE AN EXCLUSION FOR BUSINESSES THAT EMPLOY LICENSEES TO ALSO INCLUDE BUSINESSES THAT CONTRACT WITH LICENSEES TO SELL AND FIT HEARING AIDS; TO PROVIDE THAT NOTHING IN THIS CHAPTER PROHIBITS A PERSON FROM ENGAGING IN THE BUSINESS OF SELLING OR OFFERING FOR SALE HEARING AIDS THROUGH THE MAIL, INTERNET, OR OTHER MEANS TO DISTRIBUTORS, DEALERS, OR OTHER PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE PRACTICE OF SPECIALIZING IN HEARING AIDS THAT ARE LICENSED IN THIS STATE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT NOTHING IN THIS CHAPTER PROHIBITS THE SALE OF HEARING AIDS THROUGH THE MAIL, INTERNET, OR ANY OTHER MEANS IF THE SALE IS MADE PURSUANT TO THE DIRECT PRESCRIBED RECOMMENDATION OF A PERSON HOLDING AN UNSUSPENDED, UNREVOKED LICENSE ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER.

12/03/14	Senate	Prefiled (Senate Journal-page 15)
12/03/14	Senate	Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 15)
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03/12/15	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 8)
03/12/15	Senate	Roll call Ayes-37 Nays-5 (Senate Journal-page 8)
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