

Session 119 - (2011-2012)

H 3543 General Bill, By Hart and Weeks

Summary: Bench warrants

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 17-15-175 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A JUDGE MAY NOT ISSUE A BENCH WARRANT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR UNLESS THE SOLICITOR FILES AN AFFIDAVIT WITH THE COURT TO CONFIRM THAT WRITTEN NOTICE OF HIS INTENT TO SEEK A BENCH WARRANT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE DEFENDANT, HIS ATTORNEY, AND THE BOND SURETY COMPANY AND TO REQUIRE THE COURT TO HOLD A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE HEARING BEFORE ISSUING THE BENCH WARRANT.

02/02/11	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 16)
02/02/11	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 16)
04/06/11	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Weeks
04/06/11	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 6)
04/13/11	House	Amended (House Journal-page 31)
04/13/11	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 31)
04/13/11	House	Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 31)
04/14/11	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 9)
04/14/11	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 8)
04/14/11	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 8)
01/09/12	Senate	Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Rose, Shoopman
05/09/12	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 8)