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Summary: Employee has right to select treating physician in Workers' Compensation Case

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 42-15-60, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH MEDICAL, SURGICAL, HOSPITAL, AND OTHER TREATMENT MUST BE FURNISHED AND THE REFUSAL OF AN EMPLOYEE TO ACCEPT TREATMENT IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION CASES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE EMPLOYEE HAS THE RIGHT TO SELECT HIS TREATING PHYSICIAN, TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE DISABILITY OF AN INJURED EMPLOYEE MUST BE TOTAL AND PERMANENT TO RECEIVE TREATMENT OR CARE PAYMENTS DURING THE LIFE OF THE INJURED EMPLOYEE, AND TO DELETE THE PROVISION WHICH PROVIDES FOR PAYMENT TO AN INJURED EMPLOYEE WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY LIMITATION, INCLUDING THE MAXIMUM COMPENSATION LIMIT.

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