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H*5205 (Rat #0215, Act #0161 of 2026) General Bill, By McGinnis, Erickson, Grant, Spann-Wilder and Govan
Similar (H 4739)

Summary: College Safety Training Programs for Students

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 4 TO CHAPTER 101, TITLE 59 SO AS TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN THIS STATE TO IMPLEMENT A SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ALL NEW STUDENTS, TO PROVIDE EXCLUSIONS FROM THE PROGRAMS, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROGRAMS, TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 59-101-440 SO AS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THIS STATE SHALL MAKE OPIOID AND FENTANYL PREVENTION EDUCATION AND AWARENESS INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO ENROLLED STUDENTS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS AND DEFINITIONS. - RATIFIED TITLE

02/18/26	**House**	**Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 49)**
02/18/26	**House**	**Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 49)**
02/18/26		**Scrivener's error corrected**
02/19/26	**House**	**Committee report: Favorable Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 11)**
02/24/26		**Scrivener's error corrected**
02/24/26	**House**	**Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Govan**
02/24/26	**House**	**Read second time (House Journal-page 63)**
02/24/26	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 64)**
02/25/26	**House**	**Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 17)**
02/25/26	**Senate**	**Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 9)**
02/25/26	**Senate**	**Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 9)**
04/16/26	**Senate**	**Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education (Senate Journal-page 6)**
04/29/26	**Senate**	**Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 85)**
04/29/26	**Senate**	**Read second time (Senate Journal-page 85)**
04/29/26	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 82)**
04/30/26	**Senate**	**Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 38)**
05/06/26	**House**	**Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 66)**
05/06/26	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-116 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 67)**
05/14/26		**Ratified R 215**
05/15/26		**Signed By Governor**
06/02/26		**Effective date 05/15/26**
06/02/26		**Act No. 161**