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S*0631 (Rat #0104, Act #0085 of 2021) General Bill, By Talley and Campsen Similar (H 4063)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRONIC NOTARY PUBLIC ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 2 TO TITLE 26 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME AN ELECTRONIC NOTARY; TO PROVIDE FOR ACTS THAT MAY BE PERFORMED ELECTRONICALLY; TO PROVIDE RESTRICTIONS FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION; TO PROVIDE THE REQUIREMENTS TO COMPLETE AN ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION; TO ESTABLISH MAXIMUM FEES; TO LIMIT THE USE OF THE ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE AND SEAL TO PROPER ELECTRONIC NOTARIAL ACTS; TO REQUIRE THE MAINTENANCE OF AN ELECTRONIC JOURNAL FOR ELECTRONIC NOTARIAL ACTS; TO REQUIRE THE SAFEKEEPING OF AN ELECTRONIC JOURNAL, PUBLIC KEY CERTIFICATE, AND ELECTRONIC SEAL; TO ALLOW THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS; TO REQUIRE REGISTRATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO REQUIRE AN ELECTRONIC NOTARY TO UTILIZE CURRENT REGISTERED DEVICES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE TERMINATION OF ELECTRONIC NOTARIES PUBLIC; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES; TO APPLY REQUIREMENTS OF NOTARIAL CERTIFICATES TO ELECTRONIC NOTARIES PUBLIC; TO REQUIRE EVIDENCE OF AUTHENTICITY; AND TO PROVIDE LANGUAGE FOR AN ELECTRONIC CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY; AND TO AMEND SECTION 26-1-160, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL ACTS, SO AS TO ALLOW THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO TERMINATE A NOTARY PUBLIC'S COMMISSION. - ratified title

03/02/21	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 9)
03/02/21	Senate	Referred to Committee on Family and Veterans' Services (Senate Journal-page 9)
03/10/21	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Family and Veterans' Services (Senate Journal-page 11)
03/11/21		Scrivener's error corrected
03/17/21	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 23)
03/17/21	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 23)
03/17/21	Senate	Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 23)
03/23/21	Senate	Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 12)
04/06/21	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 130)
04/06/21	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 130)
05/11/21	House	Recalled from Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 27)
05/12/21	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 7)
05/12/21	House	Roll call Yeas-100 Nays-1 (House Journal-page 7)
05/13/21	House	Read third time and enrolled (House Journal-page 28)
05/18/21		Ratified R 104
05/18/21		Signed By Governor
06/01/21		Effective date 05/18/21
06/01/21		Act No. 85