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**S 0687 General Bill, By Martin, Alexander, McConnell, Fair, O'Dell, Elliott, Vaughn, Drummond, Gregory, Ryberg, Leatherman, Ritchie, Knotts, Bryant, Verdin, Cleary, Williams and Campsen**

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**Summary:** Reliability in Expert Testimony Standards Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 12 TO TITLE 19 SO AS TO ENACT THE "RELIABILITY IN EXPERT TESTIMONY STANDARDS ACT" SO AS TO PROVIDE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH LAY WITNESSES MAY OFFER OPINION TESTIMONY, ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS FOR THE ADMISSIBILITY OF EXPERT WITNESS'S TESTIMONY, INSTRUCT THE COURTS ON THE INTERPRETATION OF THE CHAPTER, AND PROVIDE A DE NOVO STANDARD OF REVIEW FOR APPELLATE COURTS WHEN DETERMINING WHETHER A COURT APPLIED THE PROPER LEGAL STANDARD RELATED TO THE USE OF EXPERT TESTIMONY.

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