**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 133 TO TITLE 44 SO AS TO REQUIRE MEDICAL LABORATORIES TO PROVIDE TEST RESULTS TO PATIENTS AT THE SAME TIME THE RESULTS ARE PROVIDED TO THE HEALTHCARE PROVIDER.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Title 44 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“CHAPTER 133

Laboratory Test Results

“Section 44‑133‑10. Notwithstanding another provision of law, a medical laboratory that provides laboratory test services must send the test results to a patient, who is undergoing such laboratory testing on an outpatient basis, at the same time the laboratory provides the test results to the healthcare provider.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect sixty days after approval by the Governor.

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