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COMMITTEE REPORT

January 29, 2015

**S. 136**

Introduced by Senator Cleary

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Read the first time January 13, 2015.

**THE COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND INSURANCE**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 136) to amend Section 38-71-1520, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to definitions in the access to Emergency Medical Care Act, so as to revise, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass with amendment:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting words and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. Section 38‑71‑1520(3) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(3) ‘Emergency medical provider’ means hospitals licensed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, hospital‑based services, ~~and~~ physicians licensed by the State Board of Medical Examiners, and oral surgeons and dentists licensed by the State Board of Dentistry who provide emergency medical care.”

SECTION 2. Article 15, Chapter 71, Title 38 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 38‑71‑1545. The provisions of this article do not apply to a policy which provides disability or income protection coverage, hospital confinement indemnity coverage, accident only coverage, specified disease or specified accident coverage, long‑term care coverage, vision only coverage, or coverage issued as a supplement to Medicare.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

ROBERT W. HAYES, JR. for Committee.

**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

The Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation indicates that this bill will have no expenditure impact on the general fund, federal funds, or other funds.

**Explanation of Fisca**

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**State Expenditure**

Senate Bill 136 expands the definition of “emergency medical provider” to include oral surgeons and dentists.

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Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director

Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-1520, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE ACCESS TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROVIDER TO INCLUDE ORAL SURGEONS AND DENTISTS LICENSED BY THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY.

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

SECTION 1. Section 38-71-1520(3) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(3) ‘Emergency medical provider’ means hospitals licensed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, hospital‑based services, ~~and~~ physicians licensed by the State Board of Medical Examiners who provide emergency medical care, and oral surgeons and dentists licensed by the State Board of Dentistry.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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