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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ADOPTED

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Introduced by Reps. Fry, Bedingfield, Henderson, Huggins, Johnson, Hewitt, Crawford, Duckworth, Arrington, Allison, Tallon, Hamilton, Elliott, Jordan, B. Newton, Martin, Erickson, Lowe, Atwater, Willis, Jefferson, W. Newton, Thigpen, Bennett, Crosby, Long, Putnam, Cogswell, Henderson‑Myers and Govan

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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 59‑32‑30, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM, SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INSTRUCTION IN PRESCRIPTION OPIOID ABUSE PREVENTION IN GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE BEGINNING WITH THE 2017‑2018 SCHOOL YEAR.

Amend Title To Conform

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

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 103, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 59‑103‑155. Any public or private institution of higher education in the State from which a student may earn a degree in a health care profession that allows the person to prescribe controlled substances listed in Schedules II, III, and IV in the State shall require for those programs that students complete coursework on the prescription and monitoring of Schedule II, III, and IV controlled substances, including coursework on the prescription of Schedule II controlled substances to treat or manage pain, and strategies that can be employed to recognize signs of and reduce the likelihood of patient addiction. These institutions of higher education shall coordinate with the state’s Commission on Higher Education, Board of Medical Examiners, Board of Dentistry, and Board of Nursing to develop the curriculum.”

SECTION 2. Section 59‑32‑20 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 59‑32‑20. (A) Before August 1, 1988, the board, through the department, shall select or develop an instructional unit with separate components addressing the subjects of reproductive health education, family life education, pregnancy prevention education, and sexually transmitted diseases and make the instructional unit available to local school districts. The board, through the department, also shall make available information about other programs developed by other states upon request of a local school district.

(B) In addition to the provisions of subsection (A), before September 1, 2015, the board, through the department, shall select or develop instructional units in sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention, with separate units appropriate for each age level from four‑year‑old kindergarten through twelfth grade.

(C) Before August 1, 2017, and through the cyclical review process, the board shall include instruction on alcohol and prescription drug abuse prevention, with an emphasis on the prescription drug epidemic and the connection between opioid abuse and addiction to other drugs, such as heroin, in the health standards. In addition, the board shall make available to districts a list of instructional materials that meet state standards. Districts shall continue to adopt or develop curriculum locally.”

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

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