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3/8/2023 House Read third time and sent to Senate ([House Journal‑page 17](h:\hj\20230308.docx))

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3/8/2023 Senate Referred to Committee on **Medical Affairs** ([Senate Journal‑page 11](h:\sj\20230308.docx))

5/4/2023 Senate Committee report: Favorable **Medical Affairs** ([Senate Journal‑page 15](h:\sj\20230504.docx))

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5/9/2023 Senate Roll call Ayes-44 Nays-0 ([Senate Journal‑page 86](h:\sj\20230509.docx))

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(A35, R43, H3204)

AN ACT to amend the South Carolina Code of Laws by amending Section 40‑55‑420, relating to Psypact dispute resolution, so as to provide for the United States District Court of Georgia to resolve disputes.

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

Dispute resolution

SECTION 1. Section 40-55-420 (B)(6) and (D)(2) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(6) The defaulting state may appeal the action of the commission by petitioning the U.S. District Court for the State of Georgia or the federal district where the compact has its principal offices. The prevailing member shall be awarded all costs of such litigation, including reasonable attorney’s fees.

(2) By majority vote, the commission may initiate legal action in the United States District Court for the State of Georgia or the federal district where the compact has its principal offices against a compact state in default to enforce compliance with the provisions of the compact and its promulgated rules and bylaws. The relief sought may include both injunctive relief and damages. In the event judicial enforcement is necessary, the prevailing member shall be awarded all costs of such litigation, including reasonable attorney’s fees.

Time effective

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

Ratified the 11th day of May, 2023.

Approved the 16th day of May, 2023.

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