

## Session 125 - (2023-2024)

### **S 0145 General Bill, By Shealy, Goldfinch, Hutto, Jackson, Campsen, McLeod, Senn and Stephens**

**Summary:** Prostitution, Sex Buyer Penalties

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-90, RELATING TO PROSTITUTION, LEWDNESS, ASSIGNATION, AND PROSTITUTION GENERALLY, SO AS TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR SOLICITATION OF PROSTITUTION, ESTABLISHING OR KEEPING A BROTHEL OR HOUSE OF PROSTITUTION, OR CAUSING OR INDUCING ANOTHER TO PARTICIPATE IN PROSTITUTION, TO ESTABLISH THE AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE OF BEING A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AND TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR SOLICITING, CAUSING, OR INDUCING ANOTHER FOR OR INTO PROSTITUTION IF THE PROSTITUTE HAS A MENTAL DISABILITY; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 16-15-100, RELATING TO PROSTITUTION, FURTHER UNLAWFUL ACTS.

11/30/22	Senate	Prefiled
11/30/22	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/10/23	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 80)
01/10/23	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 80)
02/02/23	Senate	Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Matthews, Rice, Senn, Adams
02/08/23		Scrivener's error corrected
02/22/23	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 10)
02/27/23		Scrivener's error corrected
03/09/23	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 17)
03/09/23	Senate	Amended (Senate Journal-page 17)
03/09/23	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 17)
03/09/23	Senate	Roll call Ayes-41 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 17)
03/13/23		Scrivener's error corrected
03/14/23	Senate	Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 15)
03/15/23	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 10)
03/15/23	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 10)