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COMMITTEE MEETING

**Wednesday, March 29, 2017
Room 427, Blatt Building
9:00 a.m.**

AGENDA

I. Report from Rep. Christopher Hart, Chair Subcommittee I, Health and Environmental Affairs

H. 3521 -- Reps. McCoy, Bedingfield, Herbkersman, Hill, Long, Norrell, Putnam, Rutherford, J.E. Smith, Stavrinakis, Wheeler, Bernstein, Magnuson, King, Henegan and Taylor: TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 20 TO CHAPTER 53, TITLE 44 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE MEDICAL USE OF CANNABIS BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WITH CERTAIN DISEASES AND MEDICAL CONDITIONS; TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO ACT AS DESIGNATED CAREGIVERS IN ORDER TO ASSIST QUALIFYING PATIENTS WITH THE MEDICAL USE OF CANNABIS; TO AUTHORIZE PHYSICIANS TO RECOMMEND THE MEDICAL USE OF CANNABIS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; TO CREATE A CONFIDENTIAL REGISTRY OF APPLICANTS AND HOLDERS OF REGISTRY CARDS; TO REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A VERIFICATION SYSTEM FOR USE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND MEDICAL CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENTS; TO PROVIDE CERTAIN DEFENSES AND OTHER PROTECTIONS TO, AMONG OTHERS, QUALIFYING PATIENTS, DESIGNATED CAREGIVERS, PHYSICIANS, AND LICENSED MEDICAL CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENT PRINCIPALS AND AGENTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION AND REGULATION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENTS, INCLUDING CULTIVATION FACILITIES, DISPENSARIES, INDEPENDENT TESTING LABORATORIES, AND PROCESSING FACILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SEED-TO-SALE ELECTRONIC MONITORING SYSTEM TO TRACK CANNABIS COMPONENTS FROM CULTIVATION TO POINT OF SALE; TO ESTABLISH FEES AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS; TO CREATE A MEDICAL CANNABIS PROGRAM FUND; AND TO ESTABLISH A MEDICAL CANNABIS ADVISORY BOARD AND TO PROVIDE FOR MEMBERSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITIES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12-36-2120, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO EXEMPT THE SALE OF CANNABIS BY DISPENSARIES FROM STATE SALES TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subcommittee recommendation: Favorable

II. Report from Rep. J. Anne Parks, Chair

Subcommittee II, Occupational Regulation and Licensing Boards

H. 3824 -- Reps. Henderson, Bedingfield, Fry, Huggins, Johnson, Hewitt, Crawford, Duckworth, Allison, Arrington, Forrester, Tallon, Hamilton, Felder, Elliott, Jordan, B. Newton, Martin, Erickson, Jefferson, Cobb-Hunter, Govan, Long, Putnam, Cogswell and Collins: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 44-53-1645 SO AS TO REQUIRE HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS TO REVIEW A PATIENT'S CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PRESCRIPTION HISTORY, AS MAINTAINED IN THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM, BEFORE PRESCRIBING A SCHEDULE II CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, WITH EXCEPTIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 44-53-1630, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM, SO AS TO ADD A DEFINITION OF "PRACTITIONER"; TO AMEND SECTION 44-53-1640, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; TO AMEND SECTION 44-53-1680, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM, SO AS TO ESTABLISH A PENALTY IF A PRACTITIONER OR AUTHORIZED DELEGATE FAILS TO REVIEW A PATIENT'S CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PRESCRIPTION HISTORY, AS MAINTAINED IN THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM, BEFORE PRESCRIBING A SCHEDULE II CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE; BY ADDING SECTION 40-15-145 SO AS TO ESTABLISH EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR DENTISTS ADDRESSING THE PRESCRIPTION AND MONITORING OF CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTIONS 40-37-240, 40-47-965, AS AMENDED, AND 40-51-140, RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS, SO AS TO ADD REQUIREMENTS ADDRESSING THE PRESCRIPTION AND MONITORING OF CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-43-130, RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PHARMACISTS, SO AS TO ADD REQUIREMENTS ADDRESSING CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

Subcommittee recommendation: Favorable with an Amendment

IV. Report from Rep. Leola Robinson-Simpson, Chair

Subcommittee V, Social Services, Mental Health, and Children's Affairs

H. 3790 -- Rep. Erickson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-20-30, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO TERMS DEFINED IN THE "SOUTH CAROLINA INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY, RELATED DISABILITIES, HEAD INJURIES, AND SPINAL CORD INJURIES ACT", SO AS TO ADD A DEFINITION FOR "AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER"; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-280, RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-21-510, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Subcommittee recommendation: Favorable with an Amendment