

## Session 113 - (1999-2000)

### H 3179 General Bill, By D. Smith and Leach

**Summary:** Safety belt, seat belt enforcement; penalty increased, motor vehicle insurance, rate reduction

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-6540, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PENALTIES, ENFORCEMENT, AND RELATED PROVISIONS REGARDING THE LAW ON SAFETY BELTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE AFFIRMATIVELY THAT A VIOLATION OF THIS LAW IS A MISDEMEANOR, REVISE THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION, AND DELETE CERTAIN PROVISIONS, INCLUDING THOSE MAKING THE VIOLATION OF THIS LAW A SECONDARY OFFENSE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT ALL SCHEDULES OF RATES, RATE CLASSIFICATIONS, AND RATING PLANS FOR AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE AS DEFINED IN SECTION 38-77-30 FILED WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE SHALL PROVIDE FOR A FIVE PERCENT REDUCTION IN PREMIUM CHARGES OF EVERY KIND FOR ALL INSURED PERSONS UPON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT.

01/06/99 House **Prefiled**  
01/06/99 House **Referred to Committee on Judiciary**  
01/12/99 House **Introduced and read first time HJ-67**  
01/12/99 House **Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-67**