

Session 113 - (1999-2000)

H*3420 (Rat #0417, Act #0345 of 2000) General Bill, By Klauber, Campsen, Altman, Knotts, Hawkins, Loftis, Sandifer, Cooper, Woodrum, Lanford, Harrison, Fleming, Taylor, Young-Brickell, Limehouse, Vaughn, Rodgers, Chellis, Keegan, Barrett and Robinson

Summary: Firearm or ammunition manufacturer, etc.; products liability action for design defect; Torts, Courts, Weapons, Consumer

A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 73, TITLE 15, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SELLERS OF DEFECTIVE PRODUCTS, BY ADDING SECTION 15-73-40, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT, IN A PRODUCTS LIABILITY ACTION INVOLVING FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION, WHETHER A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION SHELL IS DEFECTIVE IN DESIGN MUST NOT BE BASED ON A COMPARISON OR WEIGHING OF THE BENEFITS OF THE PRODUCT AGAINST THE RISK OF INJURY, DAMAGE, OR DEATH POSED BY ITS POTENTIAL TO CAUSE THAT INJURY, DAMAGE, OR DEATH WHEN DISCHARGED, AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS THE PLAINTIFF MUST PROVE IN A PRODUCTS LIABILITY ACTION BROUGHT AGAINST A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION MANUFACTURER, IMPORTER, DISTRIBUTOR, OR RETAILER THAT ALLEGES A DESIGN DEFECT.-AMENDED TITLE

02/02/99	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-7
02/02/99	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-8
04/13/99	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary HJ-8
04/15/99	House	Debate adjourned HJ-13
04/20/99	House	Objection by Rep. Neal, Howard, J. Brown, Lloyd, Cobb-Hunter, Moody-Lawrence, M. Hines, Mack, Breeland and McGee HJ-18
04/20/99	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). Harrison, Cato and Campsen HJ-18
04/21/99	House	Debate adjourned until Thursday, April 22, 1999 HJ-100
04/27/99	House	Amended HJ-64
04/27/99	House	Read second time HJ-69
04/27/99	House	Roll call Yeas-74 Nays-24 HJ-69
04/28/99	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-43
04/29/99	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-10
04/29/99	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-10
04/20/00	Senate	Recalled from Committee on Judiciary SJ-3
05/16/00	Senate	Special order SJ-42
05/30/00	Senate	Amended SJ-87
05/30/00	Senate	Read second time SJ-87
05/30/00	Senate	Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-87
05/31/00	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-88
06/01/00	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-36
06/08/00		Ratified R 417
06/14/00		Signed By Governor
06/14/00		Effective date 06/14/00 and applies prospectively to all actions which arise or accrue on or after this date
06/27/00		Copies available
06/27/00		Act No. 345