

## Session 119 - (2011-2012)

### H 3543 General Bill, By Hart and Weeks

#### Summary: Bench warrants

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 17-15-175 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A JUDGE MAY NOT ISSUE A BENCH WARRANT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR UNLESS THE SOLICITOR FILES AN AFFIDAVIT WITH THE COURT TO CONFIRM THAT WRITTEN NOTICE OF HIS INTENT TO SEEK A BENCH WARRANT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE DEFENDANT, HIS ATTORNEY, AND THE BOND SURETY COMPANY AND TO REQUIRE THE COURT TO HOLD A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE HEARING BEFORE ISSUING THE BENCH WARRANT.

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| 02/02/11 | House  | Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 16)                       |
| 02/02/11 | House  | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 16)                   |
| 04/06/11 | House  | Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Weeks                               |
| 04/06/11 | House  | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 6)  |
| 04/13/11 | House  | Amended (House Journal-page 31)  |
| 04/13/11 | House  | Read second time (House Journal-page 31)                                     |
| 04/13/11 | House  | Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 31)                            |
| 04/14/11 | House  | Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 9)                    |
| 04/14/11 | Senate | Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 8)                       |
| 04/14/11 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 8)                   |
| 01/09/12 | Senate | Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Rose, Shoopman                         |
| 05/09/12 | Senate | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 8) |