

## Session 125 - (2023-2024)

**H 3774 General Bill, By McCravy, G.M. Smith, Hiott, W. Newton, Pope, Yow, M.M. Smith, Hardee, J.E. Johnson, Hixon, Bustos, Erickson, Landing, Davis, Crawford, B.L. Cox, Connell, Vaughan, Ligon, T. Moore, Moss, Lawson, Hyde, Leber, B.J. Cox, Wooten, Whitmire, Long, Gagnon, Bradley, Herbkersman, Nutt, C. Mitchell, B. Newton, Jordan, Brewer, Murphy, Gilliam, Willis, Blackwell, Elliott, Guest, Oremus, Felder, Chapman, Haddon, S. Jones, Pace, Gibson, Robbins, Burns, Chumley and Forrest**

**Similar (S 0240, H 3552)**

**Summary:** Abortion Ban with Exceptions

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "HUMAN LIFE PROTECTION ACT"; BY ADDING ARTICLE 7 TO CHAPTER 41, TITLE 44 SO AS TO BAN ABORTIONS IN THIS STATE, TO PROVIDE FOR EXCEPTIONS TO THE BAN ON ABORTIONS, TO PROTECT THE USE OF CONTRACEPTIVES AND ALTERNATIVE REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES, TO PROVIDE A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ARTICLE, TO PROVIDE THAT A WOMAN CANNOT BE PROSECUTED FOR HAVING AN ABORTION, TO PROVIDE THAT PHYSICIANS OR OTHER LICENSED PROFESSIONALS SHALL LOSE THEIR LICENSE FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A WOMAN'S NAME MAY REMAIN ANONYMOUS IN PROCEEDINGS INITIATED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE; BY ADDING SECTION 44-41-90 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM MAY NOT PAY FOR ABORTIONS, TO PROHIBIT STATE FUNDS FROM BEING USED FOR THE PURCHASE OF FETAL TISSUE OR FETAL REMAINS OBTAINED FROM AN ABORTION, AND TO DEFUND PLANNED PARENTHOOD; BY ADDING SECTION 63-17-325 SO AS TO REQUIRE A BIOLOGICAL FATHER TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT BEGINNING AT CONCEPTION; BY ADDING SECTION 38-71-146 SO AS TO REQUIRE ALL INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE AND HMO POLICIES TO COVER CONTRACEPTIVES; BY REQUIRING THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY TO COVER PRESCRIBED CONTRACEPTIVES FOR DEPENDENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-41-710, RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION AND APPLICATION OF THIS ARTICLE, SO AS TO REMOVE LANGUAGE RELATED TO IMPLICIT REPEAL; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-41-480, RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION AGAINST IMPLICIT REPEAL OF EXISTING LAW, SO AS TO REMOVE LANGUAGE RELATED TO IMPLICIT REPEAL; BY REPEALING SECTION 44-41-20 RELATING TO LEGAL ABORTIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-41-70, RELATING TO PROMULGATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION OF HOSPITALS AND OTHER FACILITIES, SO AS TO DELETE A REFERENCE TO SECTION 44-41-20; AND BY PROVIDING AN UNCONDITIONAL RIGHT TO INTERVENE IN CHALLENGES TO THIS ACT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

<b>01/24/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 27)</b>
<b>01/24/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 27)</b>
<b>01/25/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Yow, M.M.Smith, Hardee, J.E.Johnson, Hixon, Bustos, Erickson, Landing, Davis, Crawford, B.L.Cox, Connell, Vaughan, Ligon, T.Moore, Moss, Lawson, Hyde, Leber, B.J.Cox, Wooten, Whitmire, Long, Gagnon, Bradley, Herbkersman, Nutt, C.Mitchell, B.Newton, Jordan, Brewer, Murphy, Gilliam, Willis, Blackwell, Elliott, Guest, Oremus</b>
<b>01/31/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Felder</b>
<b>02/01/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Chapman</b>
<b>02/07/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Haddon</b>
<b>02/08/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 2)</b>
<b>02/09/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: S.Jones, Pace, Gibson, Robbins, Burns</b>
<b>02/09/23</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>02/14/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Chumley, Forrest</b>
<b>02/14/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Requests for debate-Rep(s). Hiott, Forrest, Pope, Bamberg, Brittain, T Moore, Guffey, Nutt, McCravy, BL Cox, Pace, Davis, Magnuson, Harris, Carter, Oremus, Taylor, Hixon, Blackwell, Henderson-Meyers, Beach, Cromer, Guest, King, Rivers, Gilliard, Hosey, West, McDaniel, Robbins, Garvin, Tedder, Jefferson, JL Johnson, Whitmire, Sandifer, Brewer, Gilliam, White, Dilliard, W Jones, May, Weeks (House Journal-page 15)</b>
<b>02/15/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended (House Journal-page 13)</b>
<b>02/15/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time (House Journal-page 33)</b>
<b>02/15/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Roll call Yeas-83 Nays-31 (House Journal-page 63)</b>
<b>02/16/23</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>02/16/23</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 29)</b>

02/16/23	House	Roll call Yeas-77 Nays-31 (House Journal-page 31)
02/16/23	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 6)
02/16/23	Senate	Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 6)
04/19/23	Senate	Recalled from Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 123)
04/19/23	Senate	Special order, set for April 19, 2023 (Senate Journal-page 124)
04/25/23	Senate	Amended (Senate Journal-page 22)
04/25/23	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 22)
04/25/23	Senate	Roll call Ayes-22 Nays-21 (Senate Journal-page 22)
04/26/23		Scrivener's error corrected
04/26/23	Senate	Debate interrupted (Senate Journal-page 16)
04/27/23	Senate	Continued (Senate Journal-page 12)
01/10/24	Senate	Recommitted to Committee on Medical Affairs (Senate Journal-page 8)