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H 4840 General Bill, By Limehouse, Rivers, Vaughn, Bailey, Ceips, Cobb-Hunter, Edge, Emory, Herbkersman, Huggins, Keegan, Littlejohn, Loftis, Richardson, Sinclair, G.R. Smith, Umphlett and Whitmire

Summary: Organ, tissue, eye donations, provisions; drivers licenses

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-43-40, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR STATUS AFFIXED TO A PERSON'S DRIVER'S LICENSE, SO AS TO REQUIRE SUCH STATUS TO BE EMBEDDED IN THE PERSON'S DRIVER'S LICENSE; TO AMEND SECTION 44-43-320, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED IN THE UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ORGAN PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATION FOR THE STATE IS THAT AGENCY DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; TO AMEND SECTION 44-43-350, RELATING TO THE MANNER IN WHICH AN ANATOMICAL GIFT CAN BE MADE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SUCH A GIFT CAN BE VERBALLY DESIGNATED WHEN WITNESSED BY TWO PEOPLE; TO AMEND SECTION 44-43-370, RELATING TO AMENDMENT OR REVOCATION OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR REVOCATION BY DESTRUCTION OF THE DOCUMENT; TO AMEND SECTION 44-43-400, RELATING TO STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION OF THE UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT MUST BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO EFFECTUATE THE WISHES OF THE DONOR; TO AMEND SECTIONS 44-43-410 AND 44-43-420, RELATING TO NONSPECIFIC DONEE ANATOMICAL GIFTS AND STATE ORGAN SHARING AGREEMENTS, SO AS TO CORRECT REFERENCES; TO AMEND ARTICLE 11, CHAPTER 43, RELATING TO HOSPITAL POLICY AND PROTOCOL FOR ORGAN, TISSUE, AND EYE DONATIONS, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO EYE DONATIONS AND TO CLARIFY WHICH ENTITIES ARE THE ORGAN PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATIONS IN THIS STATE; AND TO REPEAL ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 43, TITLE 44, RELATING TO DONATING EYES FOR RESTORATION OF SIGHT.

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