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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 44‑7‑400 SO AS TO PROHIBIT HOSPITALS FROM UTILIZING TELEMEDICINE TO DELIVER INTENSIVE OR CRITICAL CARE SERVICES AND TO REQUIRE SUCH SERVICES BE PROVIDED OR SUPERVISED BY A PHYSICIAN WHO IS BOARD‑CERTIFIED IN CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Article 3, Chapter 7, Title 44 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 44‑7‑400. A hospital is prohibited from utilizing telemedicine to deliver intensive or critical care services. Intensive or critical care services must be provided or supervised by a physician who is board‑certified in critical care medicine. For purposes of this section, ‘telemedicine’ has the same meaning as defined in Section 40‑47‑20.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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