

## Session 112 - (1997-1998)

### **S\*0288 (Rat #0007, Act #0005 of 1997) General Bill, By Senate Banking and Insurance**

#### **Similar (S 0257, H 3413)**

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 38-41-45, TO AMEND ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 71, TITLE 38, RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES BY ADDING SUBARTICLE 7; TO AMEND ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 71, TITLE 38, RELATING TO GROUP ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE BY ADDING SUBARTICLE 2; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-135, RELATING TO MINIMUM POSTPARTUM HOSPITALIZATION SERVICES FOR MOTHERS AND NEWBORNS, TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-335, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CANCELLATION AND RENEWAL POLICIES FOR ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-730, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUP ACCIDENT AND HEALTH POLICIES; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-737, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS OF COVERAGE FOR PSYCHIATRIC CONDITIONS IN GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-920, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS USED IN CONNECTION WITH SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-960, RELATING TO REQUIRED DISCLOSURE IN SOLICITATION AND SALES MATERIAL FOR SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-1330, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS USED IN CONNECTION WITH SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH INSURANCE AVAILABILITY; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-1360, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT INSURERS MARKET TWO PLANS FOR SMALL EMPLOYERS; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-1370, RELATING TO THE APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN CODE SECTIONS TO INSURANCE PLANS REQUIRED TO BE OFFERED BY SMALL EMPLOYER INSURERS AND PREEXISTING CONDITION COVERAGE FOR LATE ENROLLEES; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-1410 RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SMALL EMPLOYER INSURER REINSURANCE PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-1440, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR SMALL EMPLOYER INSURERS, ALL SO AS TO COMPLY WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996, INCLUDING GUARANTEED AVAILABILITY IN THE SMALL GROUP MARKET, GUARANTEED RENEWABILITY IN THE LARGE GROUP MARKET, THE SMALL GROUP MARKET, THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET, AND FOR MULTIPLE EMPLOYER WELFARE ARRANGEMENTS; REVISIONS TO REQUIRED HOSPITALIZATION SERVICES FOR MOTHERS AND NEWBORNS; EQUALITY IN THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN LIMITS TO MENTAL HEALTH BENEFITS, ANTIDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS IN THE LARGE AND SMALL GROUP MARKETS, AND LIMITATIONS ON PREEXISTING CONDITION EXCLUSIONS IN THE LARGE AND SMALL GROUP MARKETS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 38-71-950, RELATING TO RENEWABILITY AND NOTICE OF NONRENEWAL OF SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE.

<b>01/30/97</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced, read first time, placed on calendar without reference SJ-8</b>
<b>02/04/97</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time SJ-21</b>
<b>02/05/97</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to House SJ-13</b>
<b>02/05/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time HJ-20</b>
<b>02/05/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-21</b>
<b>02/26/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-5</b>
<b>03/03/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended HJ-16</b>
<b>03/03/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time HJ-18</b>
<b>03/11/97</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments HJ-24</b>
<b>03/12/97</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Concurred in House amendment and enrolled SJ-23</b>
<b>03/25/97</b>		<b>Ratified R 7</b>
<b>03/31/97</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>03/31/97</b>		<b>See act for exception to or explanation of effective date</b>
<b>04/10/97</b>		<b>Copies available</b>
<b>04/10/97</b>		<b>Act No. 5</b>