

## Session 115 - (2003-2004)

**H 3685 General Bill, By Quinn, Wilkins, Rice and Loftis**

***Similar (H 3579, H 3768, H 3770)***

**Summary:** Health and Human Services Reorganization and Accountability Act of 2003

A BILL TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES REORGANIZATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2003"; TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 30, TITLE 1 SO AS TO TRANSFER THE CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED CHILDREN FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO TRANSFER THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, TO TRANSFER CERTAIN ALCOHOL AND DRUG TREATMENT FACILITIES OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, TO TRANSFER THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION, TO RETAIN THE SOUTH CAROLINA MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND AS ADVISORY BOARDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND TO PROVIDE TRANSFER AND TRANSITION PROVISIONS; TO ADD ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 30, TITLE 1 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS POWERS AND DUTIES, INCLUDING THE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION FOR ALL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES ASSOCIATED WITH THESE AGENCIES; TO ADD CHAPTER 64 TO TITLE 2 SO AS TO ESTABLISH A JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS MEMBERSHIP, FUNCTIONS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REVIEWING THE STATE MEDICAID PLAN; TO ADD ARTICLE 8 TO CHAPTER 6, TITLE 44 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, TO PROVIDE THAT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL MUST BE APPOINTED BY AND UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, INCLUDING CONDUCTING AUDITS, PREVENTING WASTE, AND PROMOTING ACCOUNTABILITY; TO ADD SECTION 12-2-100 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO TAXPAYER INFORMATION TO USE IN DETERMINING MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY; TO ADD SECTION 38-71-270 SO AS TO REQUIRE HEALTH INSURERS TO PROVIDE NAMES AND IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON THEIR INSURED TO BE USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IN DETERMINING MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY; TO ADD SECTION 44-6-75 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A MEDICAID COST CONTAINMENT ACTION PLAN FOR THE PROJECTED EXPENDITURES FOR THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTENTS OF THE PLAN AND FOR ALTERNATIVE MEASURES WHEN REVENUE IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO ADEQUATELY FUND THE MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA MEDICAID MANDATORY MANAGED CARE PILOT PROGRAM TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IN CHARLESTON, FLORENCE, GREENVILLE, AND RICHLAND COUNTIES FOR FIVE YEARS TO ENROLL MEDICAID RECIPIENTS IN A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION OR WITH PRIMARY CARE CASE MANAGEMENT PROVIDERS AND TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS TO ENSURE COMPETITION, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ACTUARIAL SOUNDNESS; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPLEMENT A PILOT PROJECT TO EVALUATE THE VIABILITY OF PRIVATIZING THE MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY PROCESS; TO ADD SECTION 44-7-75 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO CONTRACT FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF CERTAIN NURSING HOMES FORMERLY UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH; AND TO DESIGNATE SECTIONS 1-30-10 THROUGH 1-30-120 AS ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 30, TITLE 1 AND NAMED "DEPARTMENTS OF STATE GOVERNMENT".

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