

## Session 117 - (2007-2008)

**H 4119 General Bill, By Duncan, Harrison, M.A. Pitts and Thompson**

***Similar (H 3149, H 4117, H 4400)***

**Summary:** Registration of Immigration Assistance Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 40 SO AS TO ENACT THE "REGISTRATION OF IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE ACT", TO PROVIDE FOR REGISTRATION AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE PROFESSION OF PROVIDING IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING DISCLOSURES AND CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES; BY ADDING SECTION 43-5-252 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON MAY NOT RECEIVE FOOD ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FOOD STAMPS IF THE STATE ADMINISTERS THE ELIGIBILITY PROCESS, UNLESS THE PERSON VERIFIES THAT HE OR SHE IS LAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE STATE, AND TO REQUIRE SUCH A PERSON TO APPLY FOR SUCH BENEFITS THROUGH THE SYSTEMATIC ALIEN VERIFICATION OF ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO PROVIDE SUCH BENEFITS IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT; BY ADDING SECTION 43-5-254 SO AS TO REQUIRE NUTRITION AND EDUCATIONAL COUNSELING FOR FOOD STAMP RECIPIENTS; AND TO CREATE A STUDY COMMITTEE TO STUDY APPROPRIATE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS RELATING TO THE PRESENCE OF ILLEGAL ALIENS IN THIS STATE AND TO RECOMMEND LEGISLATIVE CHANGES AS APPROPRIATE.

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