

Session 115 - (2003-2004)

S 0436 General Bill, By Fair and Thomas

Summary: Phonics instruction, required in grades K-3; phonics material, Board of Education and state teacher education programs to revise courses to include

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-29-22 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE USE OF SYSTEMATIC PHONICS INSTRUCTION IN A SPECIFIED MANNER IN THE SCHOOLS OF THIS STATE INCLUDING GRADES K-5; BY ADDING SECTION 59-101-365 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, IN COLLABORATION WITH COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES OFFERING TEACHER EDUCATION CURRICULUMS, SHALL REVISE TEACHER EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES TO INCLUDE PHONICS MATERIAL; AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP AND DISSEMINATE TO SPECIFIED ENTITIES A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN RELATING TO THIS REQUIRED PHONICS INSTRUCTION.

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