

## Session 111 - (1995-1996)

### S 0454 General Bill, By Thomas

A Bill to amend Title 44, Chapter 7, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to hospitals, by adding Article 10 so as to enact the Hospital Fair Pricing Act, to define terms, to allow acute care hospitals to purchase services from sole provider hospitals at a certain rate, and to provide a cause of action and injunctive relief for violations; to amend Section 44-7-180, as amended, relating to the State Health Plan for use in the administration of the certificate of need program, so as to provide that the Plan must contain a policy statement requiring access to health care services by a provider so that the provider may offer these services on a competitive basis, where competition is permitted; and to require in the plan standards to enforce this policy and standards for preventing exercise of or damages from a market power resulting from the existence of the certificate of need program.

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