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S*0782 (Rat #0524, Act #0468 of 1994) General Bill, By M.T. Rose and Giese

A Bill to amend the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Sections 43-7-60, 43-7-70, 43-7-80, and 43-7-90 so as to provide for the crimes of medical assistance provider fraud and medical assistance recipient fraud and to provide civil and criminal penalties for violations; to make it unlawful for a provider of medical assistance, goods, or services under the State's Medicaid Program to fail to maintain separate accounts for patient funds and accurate records when required to do so by state or federal law, regulation, or policy, to make it unlawful for a provider to remove, transfer, or otherwise use these patient funds for a purpose other than that which is authorized, and to provide civil and criminal penalties for violations; to authorize the Attorney General to investigate and initiate appropriate action for alleged or suspected violation; to provide that the offenses created by this Act are not exclusive and must not be construed to limit the power of the State to prosecute a person for conduct which constitutes a crime under another statute or a common law; to add Section 44-7-325 so as to provide for the fees that a health care facility or licensed health care provider may charge for providing a copy of a patient's medical record and for producing an x-ray and to provide that time within which a record must be provided; to amend Section 38-77-341, Section 42-15-95, as amended, and Section 44-115-80, all relating to charges for copies of a patient's medical record, so as to provide the fees that a health care facility or licensed health care provider may charge for providing a copy of a patient's medical record and for producing an x-ray; and to amend Section 44-29-230, relating to testing if a health care worker is exposed to human immunodeficiency virus, so as to include emergency response employees to include exposure to all bloodborne diseases to revise the criteria for mandatory testing and reporting of test results and to provide immunity to those conducting the test or reporting the test results.-amended title

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05/18/93	Senate	Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs SJ-8
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05/24/94	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary HJ-8
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06/01/94	House	Read second time HJ-394
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