

## Session 115 - (2003-2004)

### S 0978 General Bill, By Fair

**Summary:** Theron Norris Act; mental health patients

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-7-260, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES, SO AS TO ENACT THE "THERON NORRIS ACT" TO PROVIDE THAT IF AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A MENTAL IMPAIRMENT IS ADMITTED TO A HEALTH CARE FACILITY OR A COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY (CRCF), THE FACILITY OR CRCF SHALL AFFIX A GREEN STAR TO THE PATIENT'S CHART INDICATING THAT THE PATIENT REQUIRES SPECIAL SUPERVISION OR CARE, THE CHART MUST ACCOMPANY THE PATIENT WHEN TRANSPORTED OFF THE UNIT TO WHICH HE HAS BEEN ADMITTED, AND SUCH A PATIENT MAY NOT BE LEFT UNATTENDED OR UNSUPERVISED WHILE OFF HIS UNIT.

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