Session 120 - (2013-2014)

H*3124 (Rat #0325, Act #0291 of 2014) General Bill, By Bingham, Taylor, Long and M.S. McLeod

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-315 SO AS TO PROHIBIT AN EMPLOYER FROM DISMISSING, DEMOTING, SUSPENDING, OR DISCIPLINING AN EMPLOYEE WHO REPORTS CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT, WHETHER REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO REPORT, TO CREATE A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR REINSTATEMENT AND BACK PAY, AND TO AUTHORIZE AN AWARD OF ATTORNEY'S FEES TO THE PREVAILING PARTY UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-940, RELATING TO THE USE OF UNFOUNDED CASE INFORMATION IN CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT CASES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES MAY DISCLOSE SUCH TO BE REVIEWED IN CLOSED SESSIONS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL WHEN IN RESPONSE TO AN INQUIRY MADE BY CERTAIN COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INVESTIGATING THE DEPARTMENT; AND TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-1990, RELATING TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY AND RELEASE OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT INFORMATION AND RECORDS MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, SO AS TO ALSO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR TO DISCLOSE TO THE MEDIA LIMITED INFORMATION PLACED IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN BY THE PARTY IN INTEREST, TO DISCLOSE LIMITED INFORMATION, TO RESPOND TO AN ALLEGATION MADE BY THE ALLEGED PERPETRATOR, THE ATTORNEY FOR THE ALLEGED PERPETRATOR, THE PARTY IN INTEREST, OR OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS IN PUBLIC TESTIMONY BEFORE CERTAIN COMMITTEES, OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BE REVIEWED IN CLOSED SESSION AND KEPT CONFIDENTIAL WHEN IN RESPONSE TO AN INQUIRY MADE BY CERTAIN COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INVESTIGATING THE DEPARTMENT. - ratified title

12/11/12	**House**	**Prefiled**
12/11/12	**House**	**Referred to Committee on Judiciary**
01/08/13	**House**	**Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 96)**
01/08/13	**House**	**Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 96)**
01/10/13	**House**	**Member(s) request name added as sponsor: M.S.McLeod**
04/24/13	**House**	**Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 62)**
04/30/13	**House**	**Read second time (House Journal-page 85)**
04/30/13	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-71 Nays-38 (House Journal-page 85)**
05/01/13	**House**	**Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 8)**
05/01/13	**Senate**	**Introduced and read first time**
05/01/13	**Senate**	**Referred to Committee on Judiciary**
02/11/14	**Senate**	**Referred to Subcommittee: Coleman (ch), Shealy, Turner (Senate Journal-page 15)**
03/19/14	**Senate**	**Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 15)**
03/20/14		**Scrivener's error corrected**
04/01/14	**Senate**	**Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 18)**
04/15/14	**Senate**	**Amended (Senate Journal-page 27)**
04/15/14	**Senate**	**Read second time (Senate Journal-page 27)**
04/15/14	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 27)**
04/16/14		**Scrivener's error corrected**
04/16/14	**Senate**	**Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 25)**
04/30/14	**House**	**Debate adjourned until Thur., 5-1-14 (House Journal-page 108)**
05/01/14	**House**	**Returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 37)**
05/01/14	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-99 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 38)**
05/15/14	**Senate**	**Non-concurrence in House amendment (Senate Journal-page 47)**
05/15/14	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-0 Nays-38 (Senate Journal-page 47)**
05/20/14	**House**	**House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. Bannister, McCoy, Weeks (House Journal-page 28)**
05/21/14	**Senate**	**Conference committee appointed Massey, Coleman, Young (Senate Journal-page 26)**
06/05/14	**House**	**Free conference powers granted (House Journal-page 119)**
06/05/14	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-93 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 120)**
06/05/14	**House**	**Free conference committee appointed Bannister, McCoy, Weeks (House Journal-page 121)**
06/05/14	**Senate**	**Free conference powers granted (Senate Journal-page 48)**
06/05/14	**Senate**	**Free conference committee appointed Massey, Coleman, Young (Senate Journal-page 48)**
06/05/14	**Senate**	**Free conference report adopted (Senate Journal-page 48)**

06/05/14	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-42 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 48)**
06/17/14	**House**	**Free conference report received and adopted**
06/17/14	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-112 Nays-0**
06/17/14	**House**	**Ordered enrolled for ratification**
06/20/14		**Ratified R 325**
06/23/14		**Signed By Governor**
07/08/14		**Effective date 06/23/14**
07/09/14		**Act No. 291**