

Session 115 - (2003-2004)

S 0387 General Bill, By Fair

Summary: Foster care and adoption, restrictions on placement

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 20-7-1642, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION OF PLACING CHILDREN FOR FOSTER CARE WITH CERTAIN PERSONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A CHILD MAY NOT BE PLACED IN FOSTER CARE WITH A PERSON WHO IS ENGAGED IN A SEXUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ANOTHER PERSON RESIDING IN THE PROPOSED FOSTER HOME OTHER THAN THEIR LAWFUL SPOUSE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR COUNSELING AND CERTIFICATION RELATING TO COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SECTION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 20-7-1670, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PERSONS WHO MAY ADOPT A CHILD, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A CHILD MAY NOT BE PLACED FOR ADOPTION WITH A PERSON WITH A SUBSTANTIATED HISTORY OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT, WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF CERTAIN OFFENSES, OR WHO IS ENGAGED IN A SEXUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ANOTHER PERSON RESIDING IN THE PROPOSED ADOPTIVE HOME OTHER THAN THEIR LAWFUL SPOUSE.

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