

## Session 114 - (2001-2002)

### H 4033 General Bill, By Allison and Cobb-Hunter

**Summary:** Reducing Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities: Closing the Gap Grant Program, Medical, Discrimination, DHEC

A BILL TO AMEND TITLE 44, CHAPTER 33, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SICKLE CELL ANEMIA, BY ADDING ARTICLE 1, SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE REDUCING RACIAL AND ETHNIC HEALTH DISPARITIES: CLOSING THE GAP GRANT PROGRAM, TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL WHICH PROVIDES FUNDING THROUGH GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS TO IMPROVE HEALTH OUTCOMES OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC POPULATIONS; TO ESTABLISH THE CLOSING THE GAP COMMITTEE TO APPROVE GRANTS AND DISTRIBUTE FUNDING AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS MEMBERSHIP AND ADDITIONAL DUTIES; TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND PRIORITIES FOR GRANT PROPOSALS AND GUIDELINES FOR ISSUING AND REVIEWING GRANTS; TO CHANGE THE NAME OF CHAPTER 33, TITLE 44 TO "RACIAL AND ETHNIC HEALTH"; AND TO REDESIGNATE SECTION 44-33-10 AS SECTION 44-33-310 AND TO DESIGNATE THAT SECTION AS ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 33 ENTITLED "SICKLE CELL ANEMIA".

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