

## Session 113 - (1999-2000)

**H 4054 General Bill, By Koon, Knotts, Riser, Hamilton, Inabinett, Leach, Lloyd, Neilson and Whipper**

**Summary:** Adoption records, confidentiality of; agencies to disclose when adoptee twenty-one or older; Minors

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 20-7-1780, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ADOPTION HEARINGS AND RECORDS, AND CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE IDENTITIES OF AN ADOPTEE, THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS, AND THE SIBLINGS OF THE ADOPTEE MUST BE DISCLOSED, SO AS TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT AFFIDAVITS OF THE ADOPTEE, THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS, AND SIBLINGS MUST BE ON FILE AUTHORIZING DISCLOSURE AND TO REQUIRE ADOPTION AGENCIES TO DISCLOSE UPON WRITTEN REQUEST WHEN AN ADOPTEE IS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

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