

## Session 115 - (2003-2004)

**H\*4115 (Rat #0308, Act #0281 of 2004) General Bill, By Lourie, Parks, Littlejohn, Weeks and McLeod**

**Summary:** Birth Defects Act of 2003

AN ACT TO ENACT THE SOUTH CAROLINA BIRTH DEFECTS ACT BY ADDING CHAPTER 44 TO TITLE 44, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ESTABLISH A BIRTH DEFECTS PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO PROMOTE INCREASED UNDERSTANDING AND THE PREVENTION AND REDUCTION OF BIRTH DEFECTS; TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES; TO ESTABLISH THE BIRTH DEFECTS ADVISORY COUNCIL AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS MEMBERS, POWERS, AND DUTIES; TO REQUIRE THE PROGRAM TO CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE AND MONITORING OF BIRTH DEFECTS AND TO MAINTAIN A CENTRAL DATABASE OF THIS INFORMATION; TO REQUIRE VARIOUS HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO BIRTH DEFECT INFORMATION; TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION; AND TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY PROVISIONS AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS. - ratified title

<b>04/30/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time HJ-94</b>
<b>04/30/03</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs HJ-94</b>
<b>01/21/04</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs HJ-7</b>
<b>01/22/04</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Weeks, McLeod</b>
<b>01/27/04</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Wednesday, January 28, 2004 HJ-10</b>
<b>01/28/04</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time HJ-17</b>
<b>01/29/04</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-26</b>
<b>01/29/04</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time SJ-9</b>
<b>01/29/04</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs SJ-9</b>
<b>04/21/04</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Committee report: Majority favorable with amend., minority unfavorable Medical Affairs SJ-51</b>
<b>04/22/04</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>04/27/04</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Minority report withdrawn SJ-16</b>
<b>04/28/04</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Amended SJ-76</b>
<b>04/28/04</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time SJ-76</b>
<b>04/28/04</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>04/29/04</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-23</b>
<b>04/29/04</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>05/05/04</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-11</b>
<b>05/06/04</b>		<b>Ratified R 308</b>
<b>05/11/04</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>05/14/04</b>		<b>Copies available</b>
<b>05/14/04</b>		<b>Effective date 05/11/04</b>
<b>05/14/04</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>08/03/04</b>		<b>Act No. 281</b>