

## Session 112 - (1997-1998)

**H 4437 General Bill, By Davenport, Bailey, Clyburn, Knotts, Koon, Littlejohn, Neilson, Simrill and Tripp**  
***Similar (H 3168)***

A BILL TO AMEND TITLE 20, CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE 3, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE LEGAL STATUS OF CHILDREN, BY ADDING SUBARTICLE 2 TO ENACT THE PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ACT OF 1998, SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS IN DIRECTING THE UPBRINGING OF THEIR CHILDREN, TO PROHIBIT THE STATE FROM INTERFERING IN THIS RIGHT, TO ALLOW A PARENT TO RAISE A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBARTICLE AS A CLAIM OR DEFENSE, TO PROVIDE FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES WHEN A PARENT PREVAILS, AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN ACTIONS BETWEEN PARENTS.

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