

Session 122 - (2017-2018)

H 4494 General Bill, By Williams, Wheeler, Robinson-Simpson and Henderson-Myers

Summary: Health Enterprise Zone Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "HEALTH ENTERPRISE ZONE ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 140 TO TITLE 44 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF HEALTH ENTERPRISE ZONES IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE STATE BASED ON DOCUMENTED HEALTH DISPARITIES AND POOR HEALTH OUTCOMES AND SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL; TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION AND AWARD OF THE DESIGNATION; TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN TAX CREDITS AND LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR HEALTH ENTERPRISE ZONE PRACTITIONERS WHO PRACTICE IN HEALTH ENTERPRISE ZONES AND WHO HIRE CERTAIN STAFF; TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS ADDRESSING SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE CONCERNING APPLICATIONS FOR TAX CREDITS; TO LIMIT THE TOTAL TAX CREDITS AVAILABLE TO FOUR MILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN AVAILABLE TAX CREDITS; TO PROVIDE FOR GRANTS TO ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING THE DESIGNATION AS A HEALTH ENTERPRISE ZONE AND TO HEALTH ENTERPRISE ZONE PRACTITIONERS; TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS; AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT REPORTS TO THE GOVERNOR AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3775 SO AS TO REFERENCE THE AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN TAX CREDITS AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 140, TITLE 44.

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