

## Session 111 - (1995-1996)

### H 4564 General Bill, By R. Smith, Clyburn, Mason and Sharpe

#### *Similar (S 1077)*

A Bill to amend Title 40, Chapter 75, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to professional counselors, by adding Section 40-75-95 so as to exempt from Chapter 75 certain professionals performing services similar to psychology services if the person does not represent himself as a professional counselor; to add Section 40-75-165 so as to direct the Board to publicize the means by which complaints may be made; to amend Section 40-55-70, relating to the unauthorized use of the title "psychologist", so as to also prohibit an unlicensed person from practicing as a psychologists; to amend Section 40-75-40, as amended, relating to investigations of complaints, so as to delete provisions relating to procedures for investigations and hearings; to amend Section 40-75-70, relating to the unauthorized representation as a counselor, so as to also prohibit the use of certain titles, practicing counseling without a license, and unlawfully obtaining a license; to amend Section 40-75-140, relating to privileges of a licensee and display of licenses, so as to require display at each location where the licensee practices; to amend Section 40-75-160, relating to complaints, investigations, and hearings, so as to set forth procedures and to require notice to employers and professional organizations when a person has violated this Chapter; and to amend Section 40-75-200, relating to a client's right to disclosure of a counselor's qualifications, so as to require written disclosure before a person may charge a fee or receive payment for counseling services.

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