

## Session 115 - (2003-2004)

**H\*3681 (Rat #0204, Act #0181 of 2004) General Bill, By E.H. Pitts, Clark, Duncan, Frye, Koon and Merrill**

**Summary:** Parental rights, termination; conviction of a parent for the murder of the child's other parent included as grounds

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 20-7-1572, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO GROUNDS FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE AS A GROUND, THE CONVICTION OF A PARENT FOR THE MURDER OF THE CHILD'S OTHER PARENT; AND TO AMEND SECTION 20-7-1564, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PARTIES WHO MAY BRING AN ACTION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES IS NOT REQUIRED TO AMEND A CHILD'S PLACEMENT PLAN BEFORE BRINGING SUCH AN ACTION. - ratified title

02/25/03	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-8
02/25/03	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-8
05/07/03	House	Committee report: Favorable Judiciary HJ-5
05/08/03	House	Read second time HJ-78
05/08/03	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day HJ-79
05/09/03	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-5
05/13/03	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-6
05/13/03	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-6
02/11/04	Senate	Committee report: Favorable Judiciary SJ-37
02/12/04	Senate	Amended SJ-17
02/12/04	Senate	Read second time SJ-17
02/12/04	Senate	Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-17
02/18/04	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-16
02/25/04	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-49
03/02/04		Ratified R 204
03/05/04		Signed By Governor
03/10/04		Copies available
03/10/04		Effective date 03/05/04
03/23/04		Act No. 181