

## Session 111 - (1995-1996)

### **S 0455 General Bill, By Thomas**

#### ***Similar (H 4074)***

A Bill to amend Title 44, Chapter 9, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the Department of Mental Health, so as to abolish the South Carolina Mental Health Commission and to transfer the powers and duties of the Commission to the Director of the Department of Mental Health and to revise these powers and duties; to amend Title 44, Chapter 11, relating to the organization and control of state mental health facilities, so as to establish the William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute as the regional psychiatric hospital for certain mental health centers and to change references from the Commission to the Director; to amend Section 44-15-60, as amended, relating to the establishment and composition of community mental health center boards, so as to establish regional boards; to amend Section 44-15-70, relating to powers of community mental health center boards, so as to revise these powers; and to amend Section 44-52-5, relating to state policy for the treatment of chemical dependence, so as to transfer all powers, duties, property, personnel, and financial resources for the treatment of individuals with chemical addictions to the Department of Mental Health.

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