

## Session 112 - (1997-1998)

**H 4923 General Bill, By Knotts, Altman, Bauer, G.A. Brown, Cato, Harrison, Haskins, Jennings, M.H. Kinon, Koon, Law, Maddox, Riser, D. Smith, Spearman, Wilkes, Wilkins and W.J. Young**

### ***Similar (S 1156)***

A BILL TO PROVIDE THAT THE DUTIES, FUNCTIONS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSION ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS ARE DEVOLVED UPON THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE ON AUGUST 1, 1998; TO TRANSFER ALL PERSONNEL, APPROPRIATIONS, AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE ON AUGUST 1, 1998; TO PROVIDE THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL ADMINISTER THE "SOUTH CAROLINA CONSUMER PROTECTION CODE"; TO AMEND PART 5, CHAPTER 6, TITLE 37, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT AND COMMISSION ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, SO AS TO MAKE THE SECRETARY OF STATE THE POLICYMAKING AND GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT AND CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION, MAKE THE COMMISSION ADVISORY TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, PROVIDE THAT THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET QUARTERLY INSTEAD OF MONTHLY, AND DELETE THE PROVISION WHICH REQUIRES THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR AND OTHER EMPLOYEES TO SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR; AND TO AMEND SECTIONS 37-6-601, 37-6-602, 37-6-603, AND 37-6-604, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE IS APPOINTED WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE INSTEAD OF THE COMMISSION ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

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