

## Session 117 - (2007-2008)

### S\*1168 (Rat #0312, Act #0266 of 2008) General Bill, By Peeler and Alexander

**Summary:** State mental health

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 15-9-510, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SERVICE OF PROCESS ON THE SUPERINTENDENT OF A STATE MENTAL HOSPITAL, SO AS TO SUBSTITUTE "DIRECTOR" FOR "SUPERINTENDENT" OF SUCH HOSPITAL; TO AMEND SECTION 44-9-50, RELATING TO DIVIDING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH INTO DIVISIONS, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION REQUIRING A MEDICAL DIVISION TO BE HEADED BY A MEDICAL DOCTOR; TO AMEND SECTION 44-9-60, RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EACH HOSPITAL UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, SO AS TO SUBSTITUTE "DIRECTOR" FOR "SUPERINTENDENT" OF SUCH HOSPITALS; TO AMEND SECTION 44-9-90, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO EPILEPSY AND TO CERTAIN OBSOLETE TERMS, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS, AND TO SUBSTITUTE "DIRECTOR" FOR "SUPERINTENDENT" OF A MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL; TO AMEND SECTION 44-9-100, RELATING TO AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY OVER WHICH THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION MAY EXERCISE ITS AUTHORITY, SO AS TO DELETE OBSOLETE TERMS, MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS, AND SUBSTITUTE "DIRECTOR" FOR "SUPERINTENDENT" OF A MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL; TO AMEND SECTION 44-22-220, RELATING TO PATIENT RIGHTS GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A GRIEVANCE MUST BE REVIEWED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND THAT A DETERMINATION MUST BE MADE WHETHER CORRECTIVE ACTION IS WARRANTED; TO AMEND SECTION 44-23-10, RELATING TO DEFINITION OF TERMS USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF PERSONS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS, SO AS TO REVISE CERTAIN DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 44-23-210, RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF PATIENTS BETWEEN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION FACILITIES, SO AS TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND TO SUBSTITUTE "DIRECTOR" FOR "SUPERINTENDENT" OF A MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTION OR FACILITY; TO AMEND SECTION 44-23-250, RELATING TO THE SIGNATURE OF A "SUPERINTENDENT OF ANY INSTITUTION" OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT MEANS THE "DIRECTOR" OF SUCH INSTITUTIONS; TO REPEAL SECTION 44-11-80 RELATING TO THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION SETTING THE SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF STATE MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 44-23-30 RELATING TO A NONRESIDENT PHYSICIAN EXAMINING AN INSTITUTIONALIZED PATIENT OUT OF STATE. - ratified title

<b>03/04/08</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time SJ-3</b>
<b>03/04/08</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs SJ-3</b>
<b>03/12/08</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable Medical Affairs SJ-14</b>
<b>03/13/08</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time SJ-9</b>
<b>03/13/08</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>03/18/08</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to House SJ-27</b>
<b>03/25/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time HJ-24</b>
<b>03/25/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs HJ-25</b>
<b>04/24/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs HJ-69</b>
<b>04/29/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Tuesday, May 6, 2008 HJ-38</b>
<b>05/07/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended HJ-8</b>
<b>05/07/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned HJ-10</b>
<b>05/07/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time HJ-30</b>
<b>05/08/08</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments HJ-12</b>
<b>05/08/08</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>05/22/08</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Concurred in House amendment and enrolled SJ-42</b>
<b>05/29/08</b>		<b>Ratified R 312</b>
<b>06/04/08</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>06/11/08</b>		<b>Copies available</b>
<b>06/11/08</b>		<b>Effective date 06/04/08</b>
<b>06/13/08</b>		<b>Act No. 266</b>