

Session 120 - (2013-2014)

H 3054 General Bill, By G.R. Smith

Summary: Behavioral Health Services Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT OF 2013" BY ADDING CHAPTER 12 TO TITLE 44 SO AS TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES COMPRISED OF THE DIVISION OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES AND THE DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S POWERS AND DUTIES, INCLUDING DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING A STATE PLAN FOR THE COORDINATED CARE AND UNIFIED DELIVERY OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND OVERSEEING THE ADMINISTRATION AND DELIVERY OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO AUTHORIZE THE NEWLY CREATED DEPARTMENT TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS; TO AMEND SECTION 1-30-10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DEPARTMENTS OF STATE GOVERNMENT, SO AS TO ADD THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY ADDING SECTION 1-30-68 SO AS TO TRANSFER ALL NECESSARY ENTITIES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES; TO AMEND SECTION 1-30-20, RELATING TO AGENCIES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE POWER AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES ARE TRANSFERRED TO AND DEVOLVED UPON THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, DIVISION OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES; TO AMEND SECTION 1-30-70, RELATING TO AGENCIES PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH ARE TRANSFERRED TO AND DEVOLVED UPON THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH; TO AMEND CHAPTER 9, TITLE 44, RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ITS FACILITIES AND TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION, SO AS TO CONFORM THE CHAPTER TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND TO RESTRUCTURE THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION INTO AN ADVISORY BOARD; AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 49, TITLE 44, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES, SO AS TO CONFORM THE CHAPTER TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND TO CREATE AN ADVISORY BOARD TO THE DIVISION.

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