

## Session 125 - (2023-2024)

**H\*4023 (Rat #0100, Act #0081 of 2023) General Bill, By S. Jones, Erickson, Henegan, Alexander, Bradley, J.L. Johnson, White, Ott, Gilliam, Beach, Gibson, O'Neal, Cromer, McGinnis, McDaniel, Vaughan, Bauer, A.M. Morgan, Leber, T.A. Morgan, Chumley, McCravy, McCabe, Landing, Ballentine, Haddon, Hartnett, Herbkersman, Oremus and Willis**

### Summary: First Steps

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-152-60, RELATING TO LOCAL FIRST STEPS PARTNERSHIP BOARDS, SO AS TO REVISE THE COMPOSITION, MANNER OF APPOINTMENT, AND TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARDS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE TERMINATION OF CERTAIN CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSITION OF THE PERFORMANCE OF CERTAIN TASKS BY LOCAL FIRST STEPS PARTNERSHIPS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-152-70, RELATING TO LOCAL PARTNERSHIP BOARDS, SO AS TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MULTICOUNTY PARTNERSHIPS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-152-150, RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF A STANDARD FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM FOR LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS, SO AS TO REVISE PROVISIONS CONCERNING POLICES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES; BY ADDING SECTION 63-11-1726 SO AS TO PROVIDE ALL PUBLICLY FUNDED EARLY CHILDHOOD-SERVING AGENCIES AND ENTITIES SHALL PARTICIPATE IN CERTAIN DATA SHARING INITIATIVES SUPPORTED BY THE ADVISORY COUNCIL; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-11-1720, RELATING TO THE FIRST STEPS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO ADD THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AS A TRUSTEE; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-11-1725, RELATING TO THE FIRST STEPS ADVISORY COUNCIL, SO AS TO REVISE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL, TO REVISE DATA GOVERNANCE POLICIES, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARENT KNOWLEDGE, AND TO REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND REVIEW OF AN OVERALL STRATEGIC PLAN; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-11-1730, RELATING TO OVERSIGHT DUTIES OF THE FIRST STEPS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS CONCERNING LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PERSONNEL POLICIES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 59-152-10, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA FIRST STEPS TO SCHOOL READINESS, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THE AUTHORIZING ACT ARE PERMANENT AND FUTURE REAUTHORIZATIONS ARE NOT REQUIRED. - RATIFIED TITLE

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| 02/23/23 | House  | Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 14)  |
| 02/23/23 | House  | Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 14)                   |
| 03/07/23 |        | Scrivener's error corrected   |
| 03/29/23 | House  | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 48) |
| 03/30/23 | House  | Amended (House Journal-page 32)   |
| 03/30/23 | House  | Read second time (House Journal-page 32)  |
| 03/30/23 | House  | Roll call Yeas-107 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 34)   |
| 03/30/23 | House  | Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 36)           |
| 03/31/23 | House  | Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 1)                                     |
| 04/03/23 |        | Scrivener's error corrected   |
| 04/04/23 | Senate | Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 3)  |
| 04/04/23 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 3)                                    |
| 04/27/23 | Senate | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education (Senate Journal-page 10)                 |
| 05/04/23 | Senate | Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 31)  |
| 05/04/23 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 31)  |
| 05/04/23 | Senate | Read second time (Senate Journal-page 31)   |
| 05/08/23 |        | Scrivener's error corrected   |
| 05/09/23 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 45)  |
| 05/10/23 | Senate | Amended (Senate Journal-page 7)   |
| 05/10/23 | Senate | Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 7)                 |
| 05/10/23 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-41 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 7)  |
| 05/11/23 | House  | Non-concurrence in Senate amendment (House Journal-page 50)                                   |
| 05/11/23 | House  | Roll call Yeas-0 Nays-111 (House Journal-page 51)   |

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| 05/11/23 | Senate | Senate insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Scott, Hembree, Turner (Senate Journal-page 142) |
| 05/11/23 | House  | Conference committee appointed Erickson, S Jones, Tedder (House Journal-page 142)                                 |
| 06/14/23 | Senate | Conference report received and adopted (Senate Journal-page 63)   |
| 06/14/23 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-36 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 63)   |
| 06/14/23 | House  | Conference report received and adopted (House Journal-page 17)  |
| 06/14/23 | House  | Roll call Yeas-104 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 17)   |
| 06/14/23 | House  | Ordered enrolled for ratification (House Journal-page 71)   |
| 06/14/23 |        | Ratified R 100  |
| 06/19/23 |        | Signed By Governor  |
| 06/26/23 |        | Effective date 06/19/23   |
| 06/26/23 |        | Act No. 81  |