

Session 118 - (2009-2010)

H 3529 General Bill, By Stavrinakis, Merrill, Horne, A.D. Young and Clemmons

Summary: Classroom Priority Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA CLASSROOM PRIORITY ACT", BY ADDING SECTION 59-17-160 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AT LEAST SIXTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE EDUCATION OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURES OF EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST BE USED FOR CLASSROOM INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENDITURES, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL SUBMIT ITS PROPOSED BUDGET TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION WITH THE ACTUAL PERCENTAGE OF ITS EDUCATION OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURES USED FOR CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION, TO PROVIDE FOR A WAIVER, TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNING BODY IN A COUNTY MAY AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR BUDGET OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT WITHIN THE COUNTY UPON A FINDING BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS DEMONSTRATED BLATANT DISREGARD FOR THESE REQUIREMENTS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP MODEL PLANS AND THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS TO AID IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE REQUIREMENTS, AND TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS.

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