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H 3031 General Bill, By Funderburk, Hosey, Norrell, R. Williams and Henderson-Myers

Summary: Voter registration

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-150, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE CLOSING OF THE VOTER REGISTRATION BOOKS, SO AS TO CHANGE THE DATE ON WHICH THE REGISTRATION BOOKS MUST BE CLOSED FROM THIRTY DAYS BEFORE EACH ELECTION TO TWENTY DAYS; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-155, RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS BY MAIL, SO AS TO REDUCE FROM THIRTY DAYS TO TWENTY DAYS THE TIME REQUIRED BEFORE AN ELECTION TO FILE THE APPROPRIATE STATE OR FEDERAL REGISTRATION BY MAIL APPLICATION FORM; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-185, RELATING TO ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN APPLICATION IS EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION BY THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION IF THE APPLICATION IS RECEIVED TWENTY DAYS BEFORE AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE PRECINCT OF THE PERSON SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-220, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT REGISTRATION MADE THIRTY DAYS OR LESS BEFORE AN ELECTION IS NOT VALID FOR THAT ELECTION, SO AS TO SHORTEN THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FROM THIRTY DAYS OR LESS TO TWENTY DAYS OR LESS; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-330, RELATING TO THE COMPLETION, RECEIPT, OR DISPOSITION OF A VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION, SO AS TO SHORTEN APPLICABLE DEADLINES REGARDING THE COMPLETION, RECEIPT, OR DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES FROM THIRTY DAYS TO TWENTY DAYS; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-440, RELATING TO FAILURES TO NOTIFY COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS OF CHANGES IN ADDRESS, SO AS TO CHANGE THE TIME PERIOD IN WHICH NOTIFICATION DOES NOT OCCUR FROM THIRTY DAYS BEFORE AN ELECTION TO TWENTY DAYS: TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-990, RELATING TO THE ACCESSIBILITY OF POLLING PLACES, SO AS TO CHANGE THE PERIOD FROM THIRTY DAYS BEFORE AN ELECTION TO TWENTY DAYS BEFORE AN ELECTION IN WHICH AN ELECTOR MAY APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE A TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION ALLOWING THE ELECTOR TO VOTE AT A COUNTY BARRIER-FREE POLLING PLACE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 7-15-120, RELATING TO ABSENTEE VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS, SO AS TO REDUCE FROM THIRTY DAYS TO TWENTY DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION THE DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION.

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12/18/18	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/08/19	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 62)
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01/29/19	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: R.Williams
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01/31/19		Scrivener's error corrected
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		Yow, West, King, Wheeler, Bennett, Murphy, Anderson, Pope, Forrest, Clemmons, B. Newton,
		Davis, Magnuson, Hewitt, Bailey, Crawford, Hiott, Fry, Bryant, Burns, Taylor, G.R. Smith,
		McDaniel, Jefferson, R. Williams, Gilliam (House Journal-page 14)
02/13/19	House	Amended (House Journal-page 25)
02/13/19	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 25)
02/13/19	House	Roll call Yeas-70 Nays-30 (House Journal-page 32)
02/27/19	House	Debate adjourned until Thur., 2-28-19 (House Journal-page 29)
02/28/19	House	Debate adjourned until Tues., 3-5-19 (House Journal-page 35)
03/06/19	House	Rejected (House Journal-page 58)
03/06/19	House	Roll call Yeas-40 Nays-55 (House Journal-page 59)