

## Session 119 - (2011-2012)

### H 3669 General Bill, By Harrison and Harrell

**Summary:** Attorney General must approve any civil action undertaken by a solicitor

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 1-7-385 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MUST APPROVE ANY CIVIL ACTION UNDERTAKEN BY A SOLICITOR OF THIS STATE EITHER UNDER HIS OWN SIGNATURE IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OR BY OUTSIDE COUNSEL RETAINED AS PROVIDED BY LAW BY THE SOLICITOR IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY ON BEHALF OF THE STATE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 15-3-570, RELATING TO ACTIONS TO SECURE A PENALTY OR FORFEITURE BY A PRIVATE PARTY FOR A PENALTY OR FORFEITURE GIVEN TO THE PRIVATE PARTY, OR UPON FAILURE OF THE PRIVATE PARTY TO COMMENCE THE ACTION WITHIN THE TIME PRESCRIBED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OR THE SOLICITOR OF THE CIRCUIT WHERE THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STATE, SO AS TO DELETE THE AUTHORITY OF THE SOLICITOR OF THE CIRCUIT WHERE THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED TO BRING THE ACTION.

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| 02/15/11 | House  | Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 7)                               |
| 02/15/11 | House  | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)                           |
| 03/09/11 | House  | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 2)         |
| 03/10/11 | House  | Amended (House Journal-page 20)   |
| 03/10/11 | House  | Read second time (House Journal-page 20)  |
| 03/10/11 | House  | Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 20) |
| 03/11/11 | House  | Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 1)                           |
| 03/15/11 | Senate | Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 14)                             |
| 03/15/11 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 14)                         |