

## Session 120 - (2013-2014)

### **S\*0815 (Rat #0220, Act #0196 of 2014) General Bill, By L. Martin and Campsen**

**Summary:** Candidate nominations

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7-3-20, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE SELECTION AND DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION TO SUPERVISE, REVIEW, AND AUDIT THE CONDUCT AND PERFORMANCE OF THE COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 7-3-25 SO AS TO PROVIDE REMEDIAL PROCEDURES WHEN THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT A COUNTY BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE STATE OR FEDERAL LAW; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF MEMBERS OF COUNTY BOARDS OF REGISTRATION, SO AS TO ESTABLISH COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR COMPOSITION, TERMS, AND DUTIES; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-20, RELATING TO DEPUTY MEMBERS OF COUNTY BOARDS OF REGISTRATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS MAY APPOINT DEPUTY MEMBERS; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-30, RELATING TO THE DUTIES AND TERMS OF MEMBERS OF COUNTY BOARDS OF REGISTRATION, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO THE MEMBERS' TERMS; TO AMEND SECTION 7-11-30, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PARTY CONVENTION NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PARTY MAY CHOOSE TO CHANGE FROM NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES BY PRIMARY TO A METHOD TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES BY CONVENTION AND TO CLARIFY THAT A POLITICAL PARTY THAT HAS NOMINATED CANDIDATES BY CONVENTION IN THE PREVIOUS ELECTION CYCLE IS NOT REQUIRED TO HOLD A PRIMARY IN ORDER TO CONTINUE USING THE CONVENTION METHOD TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES; TO REPEAL SECTION 7-5-35 RELATING TO COMBINED COUNTY ELECTION AND REGISTRATION COMMISSIONS, SECTION 7-13-70 RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, REMOVAL, AND TRAINING OF COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSIONERS, AND CHAPTER 27, TITLE 7 RELATING TO COUNTY BOARDS OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTION COMMISSIONS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 7-3-20, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE SELECTION AND DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION TO PUBLISH ON THE COMMISSION'S WEBSITE CERTAIN CHANGES TO VOTING PROCEDURES ENACTED BY STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. - ratified title

<b>12/10/13</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Prefiled</b>
<b>12/10/13</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary</b>
<b>01/14/14</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 31)</b>
<b>01/14/14</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 31)</b>
<b>02/05/14</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 27)</b>
<b>02/06/14</b>		<b>Scrivener's error corrected</b>
<b>02/25/14</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time (Senate Journal-page 23)</b>
<b>02/25/14</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Roll call Ayes-39 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 23)</b>
<b>02/26/14</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 19)</b>
<b>02/27/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 5)</b>
<b>03/20/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 3)</b>
<b>03/26/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Tues., 4-1-14 (House Journal-page 43)</b>
<b>04/02/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Requests for debate-Rep(s). Lemmons, JE Smith, Hixon, Wells, Taylor, Hiott, Skelton, Allison, Hardwick, Spires, Kennedy, JR Smith, Anderson, Gilliard, Neal, Williams, McEachern, Brannon, KR Crawford, Wood, Ryhal, VS Moss (House Journal-page 10)</b>
<b>04/09/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Tues., 5-6-14 (House Journal-page 96)</b>
<b>05/13/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Wed., 5-14-14 (House Journal-page 17)</b>
<b>05/14/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Thur., 5-15-14 (House Journal-page 43)</b>
<b>05/21/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned until Thur., 5-22-14 (House Journal-page 12)</b>
<b>05/22/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended (House Journal-page 34)</b>
<b>05/22/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time (House Journal-page 34)</b>
<b>05/22/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Roll call Yeas-102 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 42)</b>
<b>05/22/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 44)</b>
<b>05/23/14</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 2)</b>
<b>05/27/14</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>House amendment amended (Senate Journal-page 6)</b>

05/27/14	Senate	Roll call Ayes-37 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 6)
05/27/14	Senate	Returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 6)
05/28/14	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 4)
05/28/14		Scrivener's error corrected
05/29/14		Ratified R 220
06/02/14		Signed By Governor
06/06/14		Effective date 06/02/14
06/10/14		Act No. 196