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The House assembled at 10:00 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk, Jr., as follows:

Our thought for today is from Deuteronomy 14:2: “For you are a people holy to the Lord your God.”

Let us pray. Thank You, God, for promises fulfilled. Renew these Representatives and staff daily in faith and hope. Bestow upon them Your grace which will satisfy the needs of Your people. For those who have a heavy load and burdens upon their shoulders while leading Your people, please give them the strength, courage, and wisdom to provide solutions. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, staff, and all who labor for the good of all. Protect our defenders of freedom at home and abroad as they protect us. Heal the wounds, those seen and those hidden, of our brave warriors who suffer and sacrifice for our freedom. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. FUNDERBURK moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Judge John Ernest Kinard, Jr., of Camden, which was agreed to.

**SILENT PRAYER**

The House stood in silent prayer for Airman First Class Carl Anderson, Jr., son of Representative Carl Anderson.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4264 -- Reps. Bingham, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR RAYMOND H. "BUDDY" DELANEY, JR., OF WEST COLUMBIA, AND THE ENTIRE DELANEY FAMILY, AND TO RECOGNIZE THE FRIENDLY, FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED BEST MATTRESS COMPANY WHICH HAS BEEN IN OPERATION AND MAINTAINED UNPRECEDENTED EXCELLENCE IN QUALITY AND SERVICE FOR ALMOST NINE DECADES.

The Resolution was adopted.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4265 -- Reps. Hiott, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR FRANK A. MCLEOD III, A REGISTERED FORESTER, AND TO EXPRESS DEEP APPRECIATION TO HIM FOR MORE THAN FOUR DECADES OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA FORESTRY COMMISSION AND TO THE FORESTRY COMMUNITY.

The Concurrent Resolution was agreed to and ordered sent to the Senate.

**INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTION**

The following Joint Resolution was introduced, read the first time, and referred to appropriate committee:

H. 4266 -- Reps. Lucas and White: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUING AUTHORITY TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT IF THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR BEGINS WITHOUT A GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR THAT YEAR IN EFFECT.

On motion of Rep. POPE, with unanimous consent, the Joint Resolution was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Bales | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bradley | G. A. Brown |
| R. L. Brown | Burns | Chumley |
| Clary | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Cole | Collins | H. A. Crawford |
| Crosby | Daning | Delleney |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| Gilliard | Goldfinch | Govan |
| Hardee | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hill |
| Hiott | Hodges | Hosey |
| Howard | Jefferson | Jordan |
| Kennedy | King | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | McCoy |
| McEachern | McKnight | Mitchell |
| V. S. Moss | Newton | Norman |
| Parks | Pope | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Rivers | Robinson-Simpson |
| Ryhal | Sandifer | G. M. Smith |
| Sottile | Southard | Spires |
| Tallon | Taylor | Thayer |
| Tinkler | Toole | Weeks |
| Williams | Yow |  |

**STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

I came in after the roll call and was present for the Session on Wednesday, May 27.

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| Todd Atwater | Nathan Ballentine |
| Beth Bernstein | Kenny Bingham |
| William Bowers | Christopher A. Corley |
| Laurie Funderburk | Dan Hamilton |
| Donna Hicks | William "Bill" Hixon |
| Jenny A. Horne | Chip Huggins |
| Jeffrey Johnson | David Mack |
| Mia S. McLeod | James Merrill |
| Dennis Moss | Chis Murphy |
| Wendy Nanney | Joseph Neal |
| Mandy Powers Norrell | Russell L. Ott |
| Michael A. Pitts | Joshua Putnam |
| Richard "Rick" Quinn | Todd Rutherford |
| Gary Simrill | Garry R. Smith |
| James E. Smith | Don Wells |
| Brian White | William R. "Bill" Whitmire |
| Mark Willis  Phillip Lowe | Wayne George  Walton J. McLeod |

**Total Present--11****6**

**STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

Rep. JOHNSON signed a statement with the Clerk that he came in after the roll call of the House and was present for the Session on Tuesday, May 26.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. BEDINGFIELD a leave of absence for the day due to family medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. STAVRINAKIS a temporary leave of absence.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. WILLIS a temporary leave of absence due to heavy traffic.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. NANNEY a temporary leave of absence due to heavy traffic.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. BRADLEY a temporary leave of absence.

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. Cory M. Smith of Florence was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Rep. BANNISTER presented to the House the Christ Church Episcopal School Championship Teams, coaches, and other school officials.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

"5.2 Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co‑sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co‑sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member’s or co‑sponsor’s written notification in the House Journal. The removal or addition of a name does not apply to a bill or resolution sponsored by a committee.”

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4151 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 05/27/15 | D. C. MOSS |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4152 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 05/27/15 | JOHNSON |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4260 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 05/27/15 | BAMBERG |

**ORDERED ENROLLED FOR RATIFICATION**

The following Bills were read the third time, passed and, having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title of each be changed to that of an Act, and that they be enrolled for ratification:

S. 413 -- Senators Cleary, Leatherman, Bryant, Johnson, Campbell, Peeler, Fair and Shealy: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-43-190, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PROTOCOL FOR PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER INFLUENZA VACCINES AND CERTAIN MEDICATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR CREATING PROTOCOL THROUGH WHICH PHARMACISTS MAY ADMINISTER CERTAIN VACCINES WITHOUT A WRITTEN ORDER OR PRESCRIPTION FROM A PRACTITIONER, TO PROVIDE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH A PHARMACY INTERN MAY ADMINISTER VACCINATIONS, TO REVISE RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS TO EXTEND THE PERIOD FOR MAINTAINING RECORDS AND SPECIFY THE MANNER OF DETERMINING THE DATE FROM WHICH THIS PERIOD IS MEASURED, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTRONIC STORAGE OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS, RECORDS, AND COPIES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-43-200, RELATING TO THE JOINT PHARMACIST ADMINISTERED INFLUENZA VACCINES COMMITTEE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

S. 474 -- Senator O'Dell: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-22-10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO CHAPTER DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD AND DEFINE THE TERM "AUTHORIZED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER"; TO AMEND SECTION 44-22-60, RELATING TO PATIENTS' RIGHTS, SO AS TO ALLOW AN AUTHORIZED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO PERFORM THE REQUIRED INITIAL EXAMINATION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 44-22-140, RELATING TO AUTHORIZATION OF MEDICATIONS AND TREATMENT GIVEN OR ADMINISTERED TO A PATIENT, SO AS TO ALLOW AN AUTHORIZED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO PERFORM THESE FUNCTIONS.

S. 361 -- Senators Hayes, Cromer, Shealy, Scott and Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 38-73-736, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE RATE REDUCTIONS FOR NON-YOUTHFUL OPERATORS, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO APPROVED DRIVER TRAINING REFRESHER COURSES AND TO REDUCE FROM SIX HOURS TO FOUR HOURS THE AMOUNT OF CLASSROOM TRAINING REQUIRED FOR APPROVED DRIVER TRAINING COURSES.

S. 666 -- Senator Hayes: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 38-39-70, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO MATTERS THAT MAY BE INCLUDED IN PREMIUM SERVICE AGREEMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THESE AGREEMENTS ALSO MAY INCLUDE INTEREST ON MITIGATION LOANS AS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE OR HIS DESIGNEE AND TO PROVIDE INTEREST CHARGES RELATED TO MITIGATION PROJECTS OR LOANS MUST BE LIMITED TO THE STATUTORY LEGAL RATE OF INTEREST; AND TO AMEND SECTION 38-39-80, RELATING TO ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED OF INSURANCE PREMIUM SERVICE COMPANIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE INSURANCE PREMIUM SERVICE COMPANIES MAY NOT WRITE INSURANCE OR SELL OTHER SERVICES OR COMMODITIES IN CONNECTION WITH A PREMIUM SERVICE CONTRACT EXCEPT AS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE FOR MITIGATION PURPOSES.

S. 153 -- Senators Shealy, Hembree, Nicholson, Johnson, Campsen, Cromer and McElveen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-37-220 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO A TAX EXEMPTION FOR A DISABLED VETERAN, TO PROVIDE THAT THE TAX EXEMPTION IS ALLOWED TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OF THE PERSON ON ONE PRIVATE PASSENGER VEHICLE OWNED OR LEASED BY THE SPOUSE FOR THEIR LIFETIME OR UNTIL THE REMARRIAGE OF THE SURVIVING SPOUSE.

S. 373 -- Senator Setzler: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 9-1-1620, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE OPTIONAL FORMS OF RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES, SO TO ALLOW A MEMBER TO CHANGE THE FORM OF MONTHLY PAYMENT WITHIN FIVE YEARS OF A CHANGE IN MARITAL STATUS, INSTEAD OF ONE YEAR, AND IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, TO REQUIRE THE MEMBER TO REIMBURSE THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF ANY EXCESS PAYMENT RECEIVED.

S. 350 -- Senators Campbell, Malloy, Setzler, Scott, Alexander, Hembree, O'Dell, Hayes, Grooms, Cleary, Williams, Bennett, Johnson, Hutto, L. Martin, Fair, Turner, Allen, Matthews, Peeler, Lourie, Courson, Coleman, Jackson, McElveen, Shealy, Sabb, Kimpson, Nicholson and Sheheen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF ACT 314 OF 2000, AS LAST AMENDED BY ACT 248 OF 2010, TO TERMINATE THE PROVISIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT ON JUNE 30, 2020.

**RETURNED TO THE SENATE WITH AMENDMENTS**

The following Bills were taken up, read the third time, and ordered returned to the Senate with amendments:

S. 199 -- Senators Grooms, Hembree, Bennett, Campbell, Verdin, Campsen, Gregory, Johnson, Setzler, Sabb, Nicholson and Scott: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-1535 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO SPEEDING IN WORK ZONES AND PENALTIES ASSOCIATED WITH SPEEDING IN WORK ZONES, TO DELETE THIS PROVISION AND CREATE "PEANUT'S LAW", TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR THE TERMS "HIGHWAY WORK ZONE" AND "HIGHWAY WORKER", TO CREATE THE OFFENSES OF "ENDANGERMENT OF A HIGHWAY WORKER", AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THESE OFFENSES; TO AMEND SECTION 56-1-720, RELATING TO THE POINT SYSTEM ESTABLISHED FOR THE EVALUATION OF THE DRIVING RECORD OF PERSONS OPERATING MOTOR VEHICLES, TO PROVIDE THAT "ENDANGERMENT OF A HIGHWAY WORKER" VIOLATIONS RANGE BETWEEN TWO AND SIX POINTS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 56-5-1536 RELATING TO DRIVING IN TEMPORARY WORK ZONES AND PENALTIES FOR UNLAWFUL DRIVING IN TEMPORARY WORK ZONES.

S. 250 -- Senators Shealy, Lourie and Young: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-380 OF THE 1976 CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE RELEASE OF A CHILD'S MEDICAL RECORDS WITHOUT PARENTAL CONSENT TO A SOUTH CAROLINA CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM CHILD ABUSE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER FOR EVALUATING THE CHILD FOR SUSPECTED ABUSE OR NEGLECT; TO ADD SECTION 63-7-1990(B)(24) TO ALLOW A SOUTH CAROLINA CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM CHILD ABUSE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER ACCESS TO RECORDS OF INDICATED CASES OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT; TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-1990 BY ADDING SUBSECTION (N) TO ALLOW FOR A SOUTH CAROLINA CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM CHILD ABUSE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO RECEIVE A SUMMARY OF REFERRALS AND OUTCOMES OF CASES OF SUSPECTED ABUSE OR NEGLECT SENT TO A CONTRACTED SERVICE AGENCY OR PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-1990 BY ADDING SUBSECTION (O) TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES SHALL SHARE INFORMATION RELATING TO AN INDICATED INVESTIGATION OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT WITH A CHILD'S PRIMARY OR SPECIALTY HEALTH CARE PROVIDER; TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-2000 BY ADDING SUBSECTION (F) TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO RELEASE A SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS AND THE INVESTIGATION OUTCOME OF UNFOUNDED CASES OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT WITH A SOUTH CAROLINA CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM CHILD ABUSE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER.

**SENT TO THE SENATE**

The following Bills were taken up, read the third time, and ordered sent to the Senate:

H. 3972 -- Reps. Loftis, Burns, Hamilton, Willis, Collins, Clyburn, Robinson-Simpson, Bannister, Bedingfield, Gagnon, Henderson, Hosey, Nanney, G. R. Smith and Spires: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 6-29-1210 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THAT UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY MAY BE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT THE SUBMISSION OF A LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN; AND TO AMEND SECTION 30-5-30, RELATING TO PREREQUISITES TO RECORDING, SO AS TO ESTABLISH THAT A LAND USE PLAN IS NOT REQUIRED TO EXECUTE A DEED OR OTHER INSTRUMENT.

H. 3862 -- Reps. Quinn, McCoy, Stavrinakis, Bingham, Newton, Bradley, Burns, Merrill, Atwater, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Hamilton, Henderson, Herbkersman, Hixon, Huggins, Lowe, Putnam, Rutherford, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Stringer, Toole, Hart and Delleney: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 14-1-215, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO RETIRED JUDGES AND JUSTICES CONTINUING TO PRESIDE IN CERTAIN COURTS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT IN ADDITION TO CURRENT SCREENING REQUIREMENTS REGARDING RETIRED JUDGES AND JUSTICES PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 19, TITLE 2, RETIRED JUDGES AND JUSTICES ASSIGNED BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE TO PRESIDE OVER ANY PROCEEDING BEFORE A CIRCUIT OR FAMILY COURT OR TO ACT AS AN ASSOCIATE JUSTICE IN A PROCEEDING BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OR COURT OF APPEALS ALSO MUST BE CONFIRMED EVERY TWO YEARS BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016.

H. 3088 -- Reps. Loftis, Burns, Henderson, G. R. Smith, Whipper and Hodges: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 10 TO CHAPTER 6, TITLE 12 SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA SMALL BUSINESS TAX INCENTIVES ACT", ALLOWING VARIOUS INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS FOR RESIDENT TAXPAYERS FOR INVESTMENT IN QUALIFIED BUSINESSES IN THIS STATE AND TO ALLOW A JOBS TAX CREDIT AND AN ADDITIONAL TAX CREDIT FOR QUALIFIED RESEARCH EXPENSES FOR SUCH BUSINESSES; TO AMEND SECTION 35-1-202, RELATING TO TRANSACTIONS WHICH ARE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF SECURITIES LAW INCLUDING REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO EXEMPT ANY OFFER OR SALE OF A SECURITY BY AN ISSUER IF THE OFFER OR SALE IS CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 35-1-205; AND BY ADDING SECTION 35-1-205 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN QUALIFIED COMPANIES IN THIS STATE TO SOLICIT INVESTMENTS FROM QUALIFIED RESIDENT INVESTORS IN THIS STATE IN ORDER TO ENABLE THEM TO RAISE MONEY ON AN INTRASTATE BASIS.

**H. 3878--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

Rep. HERBKERSMAN moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill, which was adopted:

H. 3878 -- Reps. White, Pope, Clemmons, Duckworth, Goldfinch, Hardwick, Johnson, H. A. Crawford, George, Yow, Ryhal, Hardee, Hayes and Kirby: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-510, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO TAX RATES FOR INDIVIDUALS, ESTATES, AND TRUSTS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE TAX BRACKETS FOR EACH TAX RATE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-520, RELATING TO THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF INCOME TAX BRACKETS, SO AS PROVIDE THE BRACKETS SHALL NOT BE ADJUSTED IN TAX YEARS 2016 AND 2017.

**S. 78--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 78 -- Senators Massey and Nicholson: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 59, TITLE 12 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO FORFEITED LANDS, BY ADDING SECTION 12-59-140, SO AS TO ENACT THE "FORFEITED LANDS EMERGENCY DEVELOPMENT ACT", AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE AUTHORITY OF COUNTY COUNCILS AND FORFEITED LAND COMMISSIONS TO PETITION LEGISLATIVE DELEGATIONS FOR THE USE OF THE SPECIAL AUTHORITIES PROVIDED IN THIS ACT.

Rep. HILL moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, June 3.

Rep. MCCOY moved to table the motion, which was agreed to.

Rep. McCOY proposed the following Amendment No. 2 to S. 78 (COUNCIL\BBM\78C002.BBM.DG15), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking SECTION 2 and inserting:

/ SECTION 2. Article 1, Chapter 59, Title 12 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 12‑59‑140. (A) The county council and the county legislative delegation may petition the Department of Revenue for authority to use the procedures provided for in this section when the number and percentage of subdivided properties in the county that have been bid into the commission have, and are reasonably continued to have:

(1) a significant adverse effect on county ad valorem tax collections that severely affect continued essential public services in the county; or

(2) a significant adverse effect on economic development and employment in the county resulting from the limited number of properties available for sale and improvement.

(B) For purposes of this section, ‘subdivided properties’ refer to a parcel or parcels of real property, residential or commercial, made up of multiple lots.

(C) The petition to the Department of Revenue must provide for:

(1) all necessary documentation to support the past and anticipated future adverse impacts, including historical data on the number and percentage of properties bid into the forfeited land commission;

(2) the loss of ad valorem tax revenues associated with these properties;

(3) the impact of any millage increases imposed by the county to compensate for such lost ad valorem tax revenues;

(4) the past and projected future impact on the ability of the county to deliver essential public services; and

(5) the past and projected future impact on county development and employment opportunities.

(D) If the Department of Revenue approves the petition, the county’s forfeited land commission is authorized to utilize the emergency procedures contained in this section for a period not to exceed five years from the date of approval. This authorization may be extended for additional one‑year increments, not to exceed two one‑year extensions. Petitions for extensions must contain the same types of documentation specified in paragraph (C) of this section.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of law:

(1) The forfeited land commission of any county may, at its discretion, establish a revolving fund to pay for its legal and other expenses. This fund shall be established and maintained by the county treasurer from a portion of the proceeds of the sale of forfeited lands in an amount not exceeding fifty percent of the sale price of any forfeited land, in whole or in part. Legal and other expenses for which the funds may be expended may not include compensation to any members of the commission, but may include:

(a) payment of legal or other expenses in connection with the commission’s decision to accept or reject a forfeited land to be held as an asset of the county;

(b) payment of legal or other expenses in connection with the commission’s decision to obtain clear title to a forfeited land pursuant to Section 12‑61‑10;

(c) payment of a commission to a certified realtor or broker not to exceed three percent of the sales price of any forfeited land, in whole or in part; and

(d) the cost of advertising the sale of forfeited lands, including the cost of any multiple realty listing established or provided by commercial realtors or brokers.

(e) the cost of any clean up of a site, including demolition and disposal costs, intended to make the property salable.

(2) The acquisition of clear title to forfeited lands shall be considered an industrial or commercial development project pursuant to Chapter 29, Title 4, for which a county council may issue special revenue bonds for the purpose of initial funding of revolving funds under this section. Payment of the principal and interest for such bonds may be made from the proceeds of the sale of the forfeited lands.

(3) The forfeited land commission of a county that has established a revolving fund under this section shall dissolve or reduce the amount of funds held by the county treasurer in the fund when it is no longer required for the timely and effective marketing and sale of forfeited lands or the expiration of the authorization of the county’s legislative delegation, whichever occurs first. The released funds will be deposited into the general fund of the county not later than thirty days from the date of decision by the commission or the date of the expiration of the authorization and, if necessary, may be used to complete any payment of principal and interest remaining from the sale of any special revenue bonds used for the initial establishment of the revolving fund.

(4) The authorized representative of a forfeited land commission that elects to clear tax titles pursuant to Section 12‑61‑10 may bring multiple actions to the court of common pleas in a single suit, if all of the properties included in the suit were previously owned by a single, individual, partnership, or corporation.

(5) The payment of the expenses of forfeited land commissions exercising authority under this section shall include the collection of its expenses as a part of the sale price of forfeited lands by former owners pursuant to Section 12‑59‑60 and the disposition of the proceeds of land sales pursuant to Section 12‑59‑100.

(6) Deductions from ‘value’ pursuant to Section 12‑24‑30(B) shall include any lien or encumbrance on realty in possession of a forfeited land commission which may subsequently be waived or reduced after the transfer under a signed contract or agreement between the lien holder and the buyer existing before the transfer.

(7) Investments by county treasurers under Section 12‑45‑220(A) may include sums held by the treasurer on behalf of a forfeited land commission under this section.

(E) The provisions of this section do not apply to property for which legal ownership by the defaulting taxpayer was acquired solely through the laws of intestacy through more than one generation.” /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. MCCOY spoke upon the amendment.

Rep. MCCOY moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. McCOY proposed the following Amendment No. 3 to S. 78 (COUNCIL\BBM\78C003.BBM.DG15), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking SECTION 2 and inserting:

/ SECTION 2. Article 1, Chapter 59, Title 12 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 12‑59‑140. (A) The county council may petition the Department of Revenue for authority to use the procedures provided for in this section when the number and percentage of subdivided properties in the county that have been bid into the commission have, and are reasonably continued to have:

(1) a significant adverse effect on county ad valorem tax collections that severely affect continued essential public services in the county; or

(2) a significant adverse effect on economic development and employment in the county resulting from the limited number of properties available for sale and improvement.

(B) For purposes of this section, ‘subdivided properties’ refer to a parcel or parcels of real property, residential or commercial, made up of multiple lots.

(C) The petition to the Department of Revenue must provide for:

(1) all necessary documentation to support the past and anticipated future adverse impacts, including historical data on the number and percentage of properties bid into the forfeited land commission;

(2) the loss of ad valorem tax revenues associated with these properties;

(3) the impact of any millage increases imposed by the county to compensate for such lost ad valorem tax revenues;

(4) the past and projected future impact on the ability of the county to deliver essential public services; and

(5) the past and projected future impact on county development and employment opportunities.

(D) If the Department of Revenue approves the petition, the county’s forfeited land commission is authorized to utilize the emergency procedures contained in this section for a period not to exceed five years from the date of approval. This authorization may be extended for additional one‑year increments, not to exceed two one‑year extensions. Petitions for extensions must contain the same types of documentation specified in paragraph (C) of this section.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of law:

(1) The forfeited land commission of any county may, at its discretion, establish a revolving fund to pay for its legal and other expenses. This fund shall be established and maintained by the county treasurer from a portion of the proceeds of the sale of forfeited lands in an amount not exceeding fifty percent of the sale price of any forfeited land, in whole or in part. Legal and other expenses for which the funds may be expended may not include compensation to any members of the commission, but may include:

(a) payment of legal or other expenses in connection with the commission’s decision to accept or reject a forfeited land to be held as an asset of the county;

(b) payment of legal or other expenses in connection with the commission’s decision to obtain clear title to a forfeited land pursuant to Section 12‑61‑10;

(c) payment of a commission to a certified realtor or broker not to exceed three percent of the sales price of any forfeited land, in whole or in part; and

(d) the cost of advertising the sale of forfeited lands, including the cost of any multiple realty listing established or provided by commercial realtors or brokers.

(e) the cost of any clean up of a site, including demolition and disposal costs, intended to make the property salable.

(2) The acquisition of clear title to forfeited lands shall be considered an industrial or commercial development project pursuant to Chapter 29, Title 4, for which a county council may issue special revenue bonds for the purpose of initial funding of revolving funds under this section. Payment of the principal and interest for such bonds may be made from the proceeds of the sale of the forfeited lands.

(3) The forfeited land commission of a county that has established a revolving fund under this section shall dissolve or reduce the amount of funds held by the county treasurer in the fund when it is no longer required for the timely and effective marketing and sale of forfeited lands. The released funds will be deposited into the general fund of the county not later than thirty days from the date of decision by the commission or the date of the expiration of the authorization and, if necessary, may be used to complete any payment of principal and interest remaining from the sale of any special revenue bonds used for the initial establishment of the revolving fund.

(4) The authorized representative of a forfeited land commission that elects to clear tax titles pursuant to Section 12‑61‑10 may bring multiple actions to the court of common pleas in a single suit, if all of the properties included in the suit were previously owned by a single, individual, partnership, or corporation.

(5) The payment of the expenses of forfeited land commissions exercising authority under this section shall include the collection of its expenses as a part of the sale price of forfeited lands by former owners pursuant to Section 12‑59‑60 and the disposition of the proceeds of land sales pursuant to Section 12‑59‑100.

(6) Deductions from ‘value’ pursuant to Section 12‑24‑30(B) shall include any lien or encumbrance on realty in possession of a forfeited land commission which may subsequently be waived or reduced after the transfer under a signed contract or agreement between the lien holder and the buyer existing before the transfer.

(7) Investments by county treasurers under Section 12‑45‑220(A) may include sums held by the treasurer on behalf of a forfeited land commission under this section.

(E) The provisions of this section do not apply to property for which legal ownership by the defaulting taxpayer was acquired solely through the laws of intestacy through more than one generation.” /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. MCCOY explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question then recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 73; Nays 1

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anthony | Atwater |
| Bales | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bradley | G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown |
| Burns | Clary | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | Crosby |
| Daning | Delleney | Dillard |
| Duckworth | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrester | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| Gilliard | Goldfinch | Hardee |
| Hayes | Henderson | Henegan |
| Herbkersman | Hiott | Hodges |
| Hosey | Jefferson | Jordan |
| King | Kirby | Limehouse |
| Loftis | Long | Lucas |
| Mack | McCoy | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | Merrill | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Newton | Norman |
| Ott | Pitts | Pope |
| Quinn | Ridgeway | Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal | Sandifer |
| Simrill | G. M. Smith | Spires |
| Tallon | Thayer | Tinkler |
| Toole | Weeks | Whitmire |
| Williams |  |  |

**Total--73**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Hill |  |  |

**Total--1**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**S. 261--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

Rep. POPE moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill, which was adopted:

S. 261 -- Senator Thurmond: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-111-320 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PERSONS AGE SIXTY AND OVER ATTENDING CLASSES AT STATE-SUPPORTED COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT THESE PERSONS RECEIVING COMPENSATION AS FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES MUST PAY TUITION.

**S. 592--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 592 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-710(A) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE HUNTING OF FERAL HOGS, COYOTES, AND ARMADILLOS, TO PROVIDE THAT FERAL HOGS, COYOTES, AND ARMADILLOS MAY BE HUNTED AT ANY TIME OF THE YEAR UNDER AUTHORITY OF AND PURSUANT TO THE CONDITIONS CONTAINED IN A DEPREDATION PERMIT ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND FROM THE LAST DAY OF FEBRUARY TO THE FIRST DAY OF JULY OF THAT SAME YEAR WITH ANY LEGAL FIREARM, BOW AND ARROW, OR CROSSBOW WHEN NOTICE IS GIVEN TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND TO PROVIDE CONDITIONS FOR HUNTING THESE ANIMALS AT NIGHT.

Rep. HIOTT explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 89; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bernstein | Bradley |
| G. A. Brown | Burns | Chumley |
| Clary | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Cole | Collins | Corley |
| H. A. Crawford | Crosby | Daning |
| Delleney | Dillard | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| Goldfinch | Govan | Hardee |
| Hart | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hill |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hodges |
| Horne | Hosey | Howard |
| Jordan | Kennedy | King |
| Kirby | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | Merrill | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | Norman |
| Ott | Parks | Pitts |
| Pope | Quinn | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Rivers | Robinson-Simpson |
| Rutherford | Ryhal | Sandifer |
| Simrill | G. M. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Spires | Tallon | Thayer |
| Tinkler | Toole | Weeks |
| Wells | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Yow |  |

**Total--89**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber attending a Conference Committee meeting on S. 11, and I missed the vote on S. 592. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton

**S. 301--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 301 -- Senator Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-10 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY, TO REVISE THE BOARD COMPOSITION; TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-20, TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "ATTEST" TO INCLUDE ANY EXAMINATION, REVIEW, OR AGREED UPON PROCEDURE TO BE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENTS ON STANDARDS FOR ATTEST ENGAGEMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-30, RELATING TO LICENSING OR REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, TO DELETE REFERENCE TO THE TERM "FINANCIAL STATEMENTS"; TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-35, RELATING TO CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO REQUIRE SUCH APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE TO UNDERGO STATE AND FEDERAL CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS AND TO REQUIRE CONTINUING EDUCATION OR ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE, AS APPLICABLE, FOR AN APPLICANT WHO DELAYS SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR A SUBSTANTIAL PERIOD OF TIME AFTER PASSING THE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING EXAMINATION OR OBTAINING ACCOUNTING EXPERIENCE; TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-40, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF THE FIRM OWNERSHIP MUST BE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, TO PROVIDE QUALIFICATIONS AND CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NONCERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT FIRM OWNERS, AND TO GIVE THE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY THE DISCRETION TO CHARGE REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL FEES; TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-80, RELATING TO THE INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS, TO PROVIDE THAT IN CONDUCTING SUCH INVESTIGATIONS AND PROCEEDINGS THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION MAY REQUIRE STATE AND FEDERAL CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-250, RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSE RENEWAL, TO PROVIDE THAT SUCH APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY FIRST AND TO PROVIDE THAT LATE FILINGS MAY RESULT IN REINSTATEMENT FEES AND SANCTIONING OF THE LICENSEE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-2-255, RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION RENEWAL, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SUCH APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY FIRST AND TO PROVIDE THAT LATE FILINGS MAY RESULT IN SANCTIONING OF THE REGISTRANT.

Rep. TOOLE explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 88; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bernstein | Bowers |
| G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown | Burns |
| Clary | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Cole | Collins | Corley |
| H. A. Crawford | Crosby | Daning |
| Delleney | Dillard | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| Gilliard | Goldfinch | Govan |
| Hardee | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hodges | Horne |
| Hosey | Howard | Jordan |
| Kennedy | King | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | M. S. McLeod |
| Merrill | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| Murphy | Norman | Ott |
| Pitts | Pope | Quinn |
| Ridgeway | Riley | Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford | Ryhal |
| Sandifer | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Spires | Tallon | Thayer |
| Tinkler | Toole | Weeks |
| Wells | White | Whitmire |
| Williams |  |  |

**Total--88**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber attending a Conference Committee meeting on S. 11, and I missed the vote on S. 301. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton

**S. 389--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 389 -- Senator Lourie: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 37, TITLE 33, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SOUTH CAROLINA BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS, SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THESE CORPORATIONS ARE ORGANIZED, REGULATED, AND PERMITTED TO OPERATE.

The Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry proposes the following Amendment No. 1 to S. 389 (COUNCIL\AGM\389C001. AGM.AB15), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Section 33‑37‑10(2), as contained in SECTION 1, page 1, lines 35‑38, by deleting the item in its entirety and inserting:

/ (2) ‘Area of operations’ means the entirety of the areas that comprise Federal Reserve Districts Five and Six as the geographic area in which the corporation is authorized to transact business pursuant to this chapter. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. MACK explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question then recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 88; Nays 1

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bernstein | Bingham |
| Bowers | Bradley | G. A. Brown |
| R. L. Brown | Burns | Clary |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Cole |
| Collins | Corley | H. A. Crawford |
| Crosby | Daning | Delleney |
| Dillard | Duckworth | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Funderburk |
| Gagnon | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Govan | Hardee | Hart |
| Hayes | Henderson | Henegan |
| Herbkersman | Hicks | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hodges | Horne |
| Hosey | Howard | Jefferson |
| Jordan | Kennedy | King |
| Kirby | Knight | Limehouse |
| Loftis | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| Murphy | Norman | Ott |
| Pope | Ridgeway | Riley |
| Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal |
| Sandifer | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Spires | Tallon | Tinkler |
| Toole | Weeks | Wells |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--88**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Hill |  |  |

**Total--1**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber attending a Conference Committee meeting on S. 11, and I missed the vote on S. 389. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton

Further proceedings were interrupted by expiration of time on the uncontested Calendar.

**RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR**

Rep. ALLISON moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

Rep. BALES, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

H. 4185 -- Rep. McEachern: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERCHANGE LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 20 AND UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 321 IN RICHLAND COUNTY "WILLIE R. PORTEE INTERCHANGE" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS INTERCHANGE THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. BALES, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

H. 4194 -- Rep. Quinn: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS NAME THE INMATE CEMETERY LOCATED ON ITS BROAD RIVER ROAD PROPERTY IN RICHLAND COUNTY "PAUL ISAIAH WELDON CEMETERY".

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. BALES, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 331 -- Senator Rankin: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF US HIGHWAY 17 AT THE INTERSECTION OF FARROW PARKWAY AND SC 707 IN HONOR OF THE BELLAMY FAMILY, AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "THE BELLAMY INTERCHANGE".

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4267 -- Reps. Ott, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE CALHOUN ACADEMY BASEBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM ON WINNING THE 2015 CLASS AA SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4268 -- Reps. G. M. Smith and Weeks: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE EMILY WILSON OF WILSON HALL UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT, TO COMMEND HER FOR HER FOUR DECADES OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR, AND TO WISH HER MUCH HAPPINESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4269 -- Reps. G. M. Smith and Weeks: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR WAYNE ROGERS, OWNER OF COLONY SQUARE BARBER SHOP IN SUMTER, FOR HIS THIRTY-EIGHT YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE SUMTER COMMUNITY AND TO WISH HIM WELL IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4270 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Weeks, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR DON BARRETT OF COLONY SQUARE BARBER SHOP IN SUMTER FOR HIS FORTY-NINE YEARS OF OUTSTANDING BARBERING SERVICE TO THE SUMTER COMMUNITY, TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT, AND TO WISH HIM WELL IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4271 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF DR. CHARLES ROBERT PROPST OF SUMTER COUNTY, AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HIS MANY FRIENDS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4272 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Weeks, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ALICE DRIVE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN SUMTER COUNTY AND TO CONGRATULATE THE STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND ADMINISTRATORS FOR BEING ACCREDITED AS A SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH SCHOOL.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4273 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Weeks, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA SUMTER BASEBALL TEAM FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2015 NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION EASTERN DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**H. 3878--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

Rep. HERBKERSMAN moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill, which was adopted:

H. 3878 -- Reps. White, Pope, Clemmons, Duckworth, Goldfinch, Hardwick, Johnson, H. A. Crawford, George, Yow, Ryhal, Hardee, Hayes and Kirby: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-510, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO TAX RATES FOR INDIVIDUALS, ESTATES, AND TRUSTS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE TAX BRACKETS FOR EACH TAX RATE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-520, RELATING TO THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF INCOME TAX BRACKETS, SO AS PROVIDE THE BRACKETS SHALL NOT BE ADJUSTED IN TAX YEARS 2016 AND 2017.

**S. 261--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

Rep. ALLISON moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill, which was adopted:

S. 261 -- Senator Thurmond: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-111-320 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PERSONS AGE SIXTY AND OVER ATTENDING CLASSES AT STATE-SUPPORTED COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT THESE PERSONS RECEIVING COMPENSATION AS FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES MUST PAY TUITION.

**S. 437--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 437 -- Senators Campsen, Reese, Gregory, Hutto, Cleary, Campbell, Cromer, Young, Bryant, Williams, Bennett, Johnson, Hembree, O'Dell, Davis, Fair, Hayes and Verdin: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-29-240 SO AS TO ENACT THE "JAMES B. EDWARDS CIVICS EDUCATION INITIATIVE" TO REQUIRE ALL STUDENTS OF PUBLIC OR CHARTER SCHOOLS OR PERSONS PURSUING A GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE IN THIS STATE TO TAKE THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP CIVICS TEST PRODUCED BY THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES, TO DIRECT SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO AWARD A CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT TO ALL STUDENTS WHO RECEIVE A GRADE OF 60 OR BETTER ON THE TEST, AND TO DIRECT THE RESPECTIVE SCHOOLS TO REPORT RESULTS TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR INCLUSION IN THE REPORT CARD FOR EACH SCHOOL, AS APPLICABLE.

Rep. STRINGER proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to S. 437 (COUNCIL\AGM\437C001.AGM.AB15), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by deleting all after the enacting words and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. This act may be cited as the “James B. Edwards Civics Education Initiative”.

SECTION 2. Article 1, Chapter 29, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section [59‑29‑240](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t59c029.php#59-29-240). (A) For purposes of this section, ‘civics test’ means the one hundred questions that, as of January 1, 2015, and updated accordingly, officers of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services use in order that the applicants can demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of the fundamentals of United States history and the principles and form of United States government, as required by 8 U.S.C. 1423.

(B) As part of the high school curriculum regarding the United States government required credit, students are required to take the civics test, as defined in subsection (A), provided there is no cost to a school or school district for obtaining and giving the test, but are not required to obtain a minimum score. However, a student who receives a passing grade, as determined by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, or better, may be recognized by the school district. This requirement applies to each student enrolled in a public or charter school in this State. This requirement does not apply to a student who is exempted in accordance with the student’s individualized education program plan.

(C) Each public school, including charter schools, must report the percentage of students at or above the designated passing score on the test to the South Carolina Education Oversight Committee which must then include such on the school report card.

(D) No school or school district of this State may impose or collect any fees or charges in connection with this section.

(E) This section must be applied to any student entering ninth grade beginning in the 2016‑2017 school year.”

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such holding shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining portions of this act, the General Assembly hereby declaring that it would have passed this act, and each and every section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, and word thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words hereof may be declared to be unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise ineffective.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. J. E. SMITH explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question then recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 100; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Ballentine |
| Bamberg | Bannister | Bernstein |
| Bingham | Bowers | Bradley |
| G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown | Burns |
| Chumley | Clary | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | Crosby |
| Daning | Delleney | Dillard |
| Duckworth | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Funderburk | Gagnon |
| Goldfinch | Govan | Hardee |
| Hart | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hicks |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hodges |
| Horne | Hosey | Howard |
| Huggins | Jefferson | Jordan |
| Kennedy | King | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | Merrill | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | Neal |
| Norman | Norrell | Ott |
| Pitts | Pope | Quinn |
| Ridgeway | Riley | Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford | Ryhal |
| Sandifer | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Southard | Spires | Tallon |
| Taylor | Thayer | Tinkler |
| Toole | Weeks | Wells |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--100**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber attending a Conference Committee meeting on S. 11, and I missed the vote on S. 437. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton

**H. 4151--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

Rep. PITTS moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill until Thursday, May 28, which was adopted:

H. 4151 -- Reps. Pitts, White, Bannister and D. C. Moss: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-21-735, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE STAMP TAX ON CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS, SO AS TO REQUIRE AND PROVIDE FOR THE PROPER AFFIXING OF STAMPS, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR EXEMPT PACKAGES, UNIQUE SERIAL NUMBERING OF STAMPS, REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF A PERSON VIOLATING THESE PROVISIONS, LIMITATIONS ON THE RECEIPT AND SALE OF UNTAXED CIGARETTES, TO PROVIDE FOR RETURN AND PAYMENT OF THE TAX, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH, IMPLEMENT, AND ENFORCE THESE PROVISIONS.

**H. 4145--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

Rep. CROSBY moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill until Thursday, May 28, which was adopted:

H. 4145 -- Reps. White, Clemmons, Goldfinch, Yow, W. J. McLeod, Horne, Murphy, Erickson, Duckworth, Gagnon, Gambrell, Hardwick, Jordan, Long, Lowe, Pitts, Sandifer, Thayer, Willis and Loftis: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 15 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 13 SO AS TO CREATE THE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR WORKFORCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION UNDER THE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, TO PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS, TO ESTABLISH THE DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL, TO ESTABLISH TO WHOM THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MUST BE SUBMITTED AND THE CONTENTS REQUIRED, TO PROVIDE FOR PROGRAM EVALUATIONS, TO PROVIDE FOR A BIENNIAL ASSESSMENT BY THE COUNCIL, TO PROVIDE THAT THE COUNCIL SHALL IMPROVE COORDINATION OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF A STATE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR SUPPLY OF HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL, TO PROVIDE THAT THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS SHALL DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A LOCAL UNIFIED PLAN FOR THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM; BY ADDING ARTICLE 29 TO CHAPTER 53, TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A CAREER PATHWAYS FOR SUCCESS INITIATIVE, TO ESTABLISH A PATHWAYS TO FIRST CAREERS PROGRAM, AND TO ESTABLISH A PATHWAYS TO NEW OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM; BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3760 SO AS TO PROVIDE A TAX CREDIT FOR TAXPAYERS WHO HIRE AN APPRENTICE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-53-110 SO AS TO CREATE A WORKFORCE SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT FUND; AND BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3765 SO AS TO PROVIDE A TAX CREDIT FOR TAXPAYERS WHO CONTRIBUTE TO THE WORKFORCE SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT FUND.

**SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* IN CHAIR**

**H. 4231--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 4231 -- Rep. Bedingfield: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO REGULATIONS FOR SPECIES OR SUBSPECIES OF NON-GAME WILDLIFE, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4560, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

Rep. KENNEDY explained the Joint Resolution.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 95; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anthony | Atwater |
| Bales | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bernstein | Bingham |
| Bowers | Bradley | R. L. Brown |
| Burns | Chumley | Clary |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Cole |
| Collins | Corley | H. A. Crawford |
| Crosby | Daning | Delleney |
| Dillard | Duckworth | Erickson |
| Felder | Finlay | Forrester |
| Funderburk | Gagnon | Gilliard |
| Goldfinch | Govan | Hamilton |
| Hardee | Hart | Hayes |
| Henderson | Henegan | Herbkersman |
| Hicks | Hill | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hodges | Horne |
| Hosey | Huggins | Jefferson |
| Jordan | Kennedy | Knight |
| Limehouse | Loftis | Long |
| Lucas | Mack | McCoy |
| McEachern | McKnight | M. S. McLeod |
| Merrill | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| Murphy | Neal | Norman |
| Norrell | Ott | Pitts |
| Pope | Ridgeway | Riley |
| Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal |
| Sandifer | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | Sottile | Southard |
| Spires | Tallon | Thayer |
| Tinkler | Toole | Weeks |
| Wells | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Yow |  |

**Total--95**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Joint Resolution was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber attending a Conference Committee meeting on S. 11, and I missed the vote on H. 4231. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Joint Resolution.

Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton

**H. 4274--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE**

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up for immediate consideration:

H. 4274 -- Rep. Lucas: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE THAT PURSUANT TO SECTION 9, ARTICLE III, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THIS STATE, 1895, WHEN THE RESPECTIVE HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADJOURN ON THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2015, NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M., OR ANYTIME EARLIER, EACH HOUSE SHALL STAND ADJOURNED TO MEET IN STATEWIDE SESSION AT 12:00 NOON ON TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015, AND CONTINUE IN STATEWIDE SESSION, IF NECESSARY, UNTIL NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2015, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN SPECIFIED MATTERS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT WHEN THE RESPECTIVE HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADJOURN NOT LATER 12:00 NOON TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2016, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL STAND ADJOURNED SINE DIE.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

(A) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9, Article III of the South Carolina Constitution, 1895, and by the two‑thirds vote required by that section in order to recede for more than thirty consecutive calendar days, each house agrees, by this resolution, to recede from the other body either for a period less than thirty days or for more than thirty days as the case may be.

(B) Further, the General Assembly by this resolution agrees to bind itself subject to the provisions of this resolution. The Sine Die adjournment date for the General Assembly for the 2015 session is recognized and extended to permit the General Assembly to continue in session after Thursday, June 4, 2015, under the terms and conditions stipulated in this resolution and for this purpose each house agrees that when the Senate and the House of Representatives adjourn on Thursday, June 4, 2015, not later than 5:00 p.m., or at any time prior, each house shall stand adjourned to meet in statewide session on Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at 12:00 noon and to continue in statewide session, if necessary, until not later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2015. Each house agrees to limit itself to consideration of the following matters and subject to the following conditions, as applicable:

(1) receipt and consideration of gubernatorial vetoes;

(2) receipt and consideration of the General Appropriations Bill, the Supplemental Appropriations Bill, the Capital Reserve Fund Bill, and introduction, receipt, and consideration of a Continuing Resolution to fund the ordinary expenses of state government, if necessary, until the passage of the General Appropriations Bill, concurrence and nonconcurrence and amendments to these bills returned from the other house, and the appointment of members to conference and free conference committees and receipt, consideration, and disposition of conference and free conference reports on the matters identified in this item;

(3) introduction, receipt, and consideration of resolutions affecting Sine Die adjournment;

(4) receipt, consideration, and confirmation of appointments;

(5) introduction, receipt, and consideration of resolutions expressing sympathy or congratulations;

(6) receipt and consideration of local legislation which has the unanimous consent of the affected delegation;

(7) receipt, consideration, and disposition of conference and free conference reports on matters not provided for in item (2), for which a committee of conference has been appointed prior to 5:00 p.m. on June 4, 2015; and

(8) convening of a joint assembly to conduct elections for offices or vacancies in any offices filled by election of the General Assembly.

(C) When each house recedes subject to subsection (A) and not later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2015, the General Assembly shall stand in recess subject to the call of the Speaker of the House for the House of Representatives and the President *Pro Tempore* of the Senate for the Senate at times they consider appropriate for their respective bodies to meet for the consideration of the following matters and subject to the following conditions, as applicable:

(1) introduction, receipt, and consideration of resolutions affecting Sine Die adjournment;

(2) receipt and consideration of gubernatorial vetoes;

(3) receipt and consideration of the General Appropriations Bill, the Supplemental Appropriations Bill, the Capital Reserve Fund Bill, and introduction, receipt, and consideration of a Continuing Resolution to fund the ordinary expenses of state government, if necessary, until the passage of the General Appropriations Bill, concurrence and nonconcurrence and amendments to these bills returned from the other house, and the appointment of members to conference and free conference committees and receipt, consideration, and disposition of conference and free conference reports on the matters identified in this item;

(4) receipt and consideration of legislation necessary to address any shortfall in revenue meeting the conditions of Section 11‑9‑890;

(5) introduction, receipt, and consideration of resolutions expressing sympathy or congratulations;

(6) convening of a joint assembly to conduct elections for offices or vacancies in any offices filled by election of the General Assembly; and

(7) receipt, consideration, and confirmation of magistrate appointments.

(D) The President *Pro Tempore* of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may set a mutually agreed upon time or times prior to Sine Die adjournment for officers of the Senate and House to ratify acts.

(E) Unless the session is otherwise adjourned Sine Die at an earlier date, the 2015 session of the General Assembly shall stand adjourned Sine Die not later than 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 12, 2016.

(F) For purposes of Section 1‑3‑210 and after June 18, 2015, when neither the House of Representatives or the Senate have been called into session pursuant to the provisions of this resolution, the General Assembly intends that the legislature be considered in recess for purposes of the Governor being allowed to fill vacancies by interim appointments, except for the office of magistrate which only may be filled by interim appointment upon recommendation of the respective Senatorial delegation.

(G) For purposes of the Administrative Procedures Act, in regards to the one hundred twenty day period the General Assembly has to review state agency regulations, this one hundred twenty day period is tolled Friday, June 5, 2015, until January 12, 2016.

Rep. LUCAS explained the Concurrent Resolution.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 100; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Ballentine |
| Bamberg | Bannister | Bernstein |
| Bingham | Bowers | Bradley |
| G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown | Burns |
| Chumley | Clary | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | Crosby |
| Daning | Delleney | Dillard |
| Duckworth | Erickson | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Funderburk |
| Gagnon | Gambrell | Gilliard |
| Goldfinch | Govan | Hamilton |
| Hardee | Hart | Hayes |
| Henderson | Henegan | Herbkersman |
| Hicks | Hill | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hodges | Hosey |
| Howard | Huggins | Jefferson |
| Jordan | Kennedy | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | Merrill | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | Norman |
| Ott | Pitts | Pope |
| Quinn | Ridgeway | Riley |
| Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford |
| Ryhal | Sandifer | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Sottile | Southard | Spires |
| Tallon | Thayer | Tinkler |
| Toole | Weeks | Wells |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--100**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

The Concurrent Resolution was agreed to and ordered sent to the Senate.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber attending a Conference Committee meeting on S. 11, and I missed the vote on H. 4274. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Concurrent Resolution.

Rep. Wm. Weston J. Newton

**SPEAKER IN CHAIR**

**H. 4225--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 4225 -- Rep. Bedingfield: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO TERM AND CONDITIONS FOR THE PUBLIC'S USE OF STATE LAKES AND PONDS OWNED OR LEASED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4547, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

Rep. KENNEDY explained the Joint Resolution.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 97; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anthony | Atwater |
| Bales | Ballentine | Bannister |
| Bernstein | Bingham | Bowers |
| Bradley | G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown |
| Burns | Chumley | Clary |
| Clemmons | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Cole | Collins | Corley |
| Crosby | Delleney | Dillard |
| Duckworth | Erickson | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Funderburk |
| Gagnon | Gambrell | Gilliard |
| Goldfinch | Govan | Hamilton |
| Hardee | Hart | Hayes |
| Henderson | Henegan | Herbkersman |
| Hicks | Hill | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hodges | Hosey |
| Huggins | Jefferson | Jordan |
| Kennedy | King | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | Merrill | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | Neal |
| Newton | Norman | Ott |
| Pope | Quinn | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Rivers | Robinson-Simpson |
| Ryhal | Sandifer | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Sottile | Southard | Spires |
| Tallon | Taylor | Thayer |
| Tinkler | Toole | Weeks |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--97**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Joint Resolution was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 4260--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4260 -- Reps. Hodges, R. L. Brown, Knight and Bamberg: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-200, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN COLLETON COUNTY, SO AS TO DESIGNATE A MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 86; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anthony | Atwater | Bales |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bernstein |
| Bingham | Bowers | G. A. Brown |
| R. L. Brown | Burns | Chumley |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Cole |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | Delleney |
| Duckworth | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Funderburk | Gagnon |
| Gambrell | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Hamilton | Hardee | Hart |
| Hayes | Henegan | Hicks |
| Hill | Hixon | Hodges |
| Hosey | Howard | Huggins |
| Jefferson | Jordan | King |
| Kirby | Knight | Limehouse |
| Loftis | Long | Lucas |
| Mack | McCoy | McEachern |
| McKnight | M. S. McLeod | Merrill |
| D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss | Murphy |
| Neal | Newton | Norman |
| Ott | Pope | Quinn |
| Ridgeway | Riley | Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal | Sandifer |
| Simrill | G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith |
| J. E. Smith | Sottile | Southard |
| Spires | Tallon | Taylor |
| Thayer | Tinkler | Toole |
| Weeks | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Yow |  |

**Total--86**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

Further proceedings were interrupted by the Joint Assembly.

**JOINT ASSEMBLY**

At 12:00 noon the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House. The President of the Senate called the Joint Assembly to order and announced that it had convened under the terms of a Concurrent Resolution adopted by both Houses.

The Reading Clerk of the Senate read the following Concurrent Resolution:

S. 760 -- Senators L. Martin, Malloy, Campsen, Peeler, Alexander, Hayes and Scott: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO FIX NOON ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2015, AS THE TIME TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT, CHIEF JUSTICE, UPON HER RETIREMENT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2015, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE WHICH WILL EXPIRE JULY 31, 2024; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE; AND AS THE DATE TO MEET IN JOINT SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 5, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 7, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, AT-LARGE SEAT 9, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, AT-LARGE SEAT 11, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, AT-LARGE SEAT 13, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LANDER UNIVERSITY, SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 6, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WINTHROP UNIVERSITY, AT-LARGE SEAT 10, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2021, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE OLD EXCHANGE BUILDING COMMISSION, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2021, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL AT-LARGE, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE MEMBERS TO FILL VACANCIES OR EXPIRED TERMS ON THE LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-15-10 FROM AMONG THE CANDIDATES NOMINATED BY THE LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COUNCIL NOMINATING COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-15-209.

**ELECTION OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT AND A FAMILY COURT JUDGE, STATE COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY BOARDS OF TRUSTEES, A MEMBER TO THE OLD EXCHANGE BUILDING COMMISSION BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MEMBERS TO THE WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AND MEMBERS TO FILL EXPIRED TERMS ON THE LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COUNCIL**

**ELECTION OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE FOR THE**

**SUPREME COURT**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Sen. Larry Martin, on behalf of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, stated that the following candidate had been screened and found qualified: The Honorable Costa M. Pleicones.

On motion of Sen. Larry Martin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the Honorable Costa M. Pleicones was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**FAMILY COURT JUDGE, FOURTH JUDICIAL**

**CIRCUIT, SEAT 1**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for a Family Court Judge, Fourth Judicial Circuit, Seat 1.

Sen. Larry Martin, on behalf of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, stated that the following candidates had been screened and found qualified: the Honorable Bryan W. Braddock and the Honorable Cely Anne Brigman.

Sen. Larry Martin, on behalf of the Judicial Merit Selection Commissions, stated that the Honorable Bryan W. Braddock had withdrawn from the race and placed the name of the remaining candidate, the Honorable Cely Anne Brigman, in nomination.

On the motion of Sen. Larry Martin, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, the Honorable Cely Anne Brigman was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**STATE COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY**

**BOARDS OF TRUSTEES**

**COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY**

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 1

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the First Congressional District, Seat 1.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that George Mullen had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, George Mullen was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 3

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the Third Congressional District, Seat 3.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that William L. Lyles, Jr., had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, William L. Lyles, Jr., was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 5

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the Fifth Congressional District, Seat 5.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that Chuck E. Lewis had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, Chuck E. Lewis was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 7

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the Seventh Congressional District, Seat 7.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that Natasha Hanna had been screened, found qualified, and placed her name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, Natasha Hanna was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

AT-LARGE, SEAT 9

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the At-Large Seat, Seat 9.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that Gene Spivey had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, Gene Spivey was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

AT-LARGE, SEAT 11

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the At-Large Seat, Seat 11.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that William E. Turner III had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, William E. Turner III was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

AT-LARGE, SEAT 13

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the At-Large Seat, Seat 13.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that William S. Biggs had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, William S. Biggs was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**LANDER UNIVERSITY**

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 6

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the Sixth Congressional District, Seat 6.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that Robert F. Sabalis had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, Robert F. Sabalis was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**WINTHROP UNIVERSITY**

AT-LARGE, SEAT 10

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the At-Large Seat, Seat 10.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that Glenn A. McCall had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, Glenn A. McCall was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**OLD EXCHANGE BUILDING COMMISSION**

ONE AT-LARGE SEAT

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the one At-Large Seat.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that Greg Ohanesian had been screened, found qualified, and placed his name in nomination.

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

Whereupon, Greg Ohanesian was duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL**

THREE AT-LARGE SEATS

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the three At-Large Seats.

Senator Peeler, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that the following had been screened, found qualified: Earle M. Bennett, Deborah S. Blalock, and Robert N. Collar

On the motion of Senator Peeler, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominees.

Whereupon, Earle M. Bennett, Deborah S. Blalock, and Robert N. Collar were duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COUNCIL**

The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order for the At-Large Seats.

Senator Hayes, on behalf of the Joint Screening Committee, stated that the following had been screened, found qualified: Thomas F. Harnett and John B. Dangler

On the motion of Senator Hayes, nominations were closed, and with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominees.

Whereupon, Thomas F. Harnett and John B. Dangler were duly elected for the term prescribed by law.

**JOINT ASSEMBLY RECEDES**

The purposes of the Joint Assembly having been accomplished, the PRESIDENT announced that under the terms of the Concurrent Resolution the Joint Assembly would recede from business.

The Senate accordingly retired to its Chamber.

**THE HOUSE RESUMES**

At 12:18 p.m. the House resumed, the SPEAKER in the Chair.

**OBJECTION TO RECALL**

Rep. HAYES asked unanimous consent to recall S. 135 from the Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry.

Rep. HILL objected.

**H. 3701--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3701 -- Ways and Means Committee: A BILL TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS AND TO PROVIDE REVENUES TO MEET THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015, TO REGULATE THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Rep. PITTS moved to adjourn debate on the Senate Amendments until Thursday, May 28, which was agreed to.

**H. 4143--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN AND BILL ENROLLED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 4143 -- Reps. Hamilton, Nanney, Burns, Bannister, Henderson, Herbkersman, Loftis, G. R. Smith, Stringer and Willis: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 432 OF 1947, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE GREENVILLE HEALTH SYSTEM AND ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO REVISE THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICTS CONSTITUTING THE DISTRICTS WHICH COMPRISE HOUSE DISTRICT RESIDENCY SEATS ON THE BOARD FROM WHICH SIX MEMBERS OF THE BOARD MUST BE APPOINTED.

Rep. HAMILTON explained the Senate Amendments.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 94; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anderson | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Ballentine |
| Bannister | Bernstein | Bingham |
| Bowers | Bradley | G. A. Brown |
| R. L. Brown | Burns | Chumley |
| Clyburn | Cole | Collins |
| H. A. Crawford | Crosby | Delleney |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Funderburk | Gagnon |
| Gambrell | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Hamilton | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hicks |
| Hill | Hixon | Hodges |
| Hosey | Huggins | Jefferson |
| Johnson | Jordan | Kennedy |
| Kirby | Knight | Limehouse |
| Loftis | Long | Lucas |
| Mack | McCoy | McEachern |
| M. S. McLeod | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| Murphy | Neal | Newton |
| Norman | Norrell | Ott |
| Parks | Pitts | Pope |
| Putnam | Quinn | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Rivers | Robinson-Simpson |
| Rutherford | Ryhal | Sandifer |
| Simrill | G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith |
| J. E. Smith | Sottile | Spires |
| Tallon | Taylor | Tinkler |
| Toole | Weeks | Wells |
| Whitmire | Williams | Willis |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--94**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

The Senate Amendments were agreed to, and the Bill having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification.

**H. 3888--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN AND BILL ENROLLED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3888 -- Reps. Cole, Allison, Brannon, Chumley, Forrester, Hicks, Mitchell and Tallon: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-490, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN SPARTANBURG COUNTY, SO AS TO CONSOLIDATE AND RENAME CERTAIN PRECINCTS, AND TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

Rep. COLE explained the Senate Amendments.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 88; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anderson | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Ballentine |
| Bannister | Bernstein | Bingham |
| Bowers | Bradley | G. A. Brown |
| R. L. Brown | Burns | Chumley |
| Clyburn | Cole | Collins |
| H. A. Crawford | Crosby | Delleney |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Funderburk | Gagnon |
| Gambrell | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Hardee | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hicks |
| Hill | Hixon | Hosey |
| Huggins | Johnson | Jordan |
| Kennedy | King | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Lucas | Mack | McCoy |
| McEachern | M. S. McLeod | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | Neal |
| Newton | Norman | Ott |
| Parks | Pitts | Pope |
| Putnam | Quinn | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford |
| Ryhal | Sandifer | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Sottile | Spires | Tallon |
| Taylor | Tinkler | Toole |
| Weeks | Whitmire | Willis |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--88**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

The Senate Amendments were agreed to, and the Bill having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification.

**H. 4106--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN AND BILL ENROLLED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 4106 -- Reps. Long, Lucas, Norrell and Yow: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-350, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN LANCASTER COUNTY, SO AS TO DELETE TWO PRECINCTS, ADD NINE PRECINCTS, AND REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 78; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anderson | Atwater |
| Bales | Ballentine | Bernstein |
| Bingham | G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown |
| Burns | Clyburn | H. A. Crawford |
| Crosby | Delleney | Douglas |
| Duckworth | Erickson | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Funderburk |
| Gagnon | Gambrell | Gilliard |
| Goldfinch | Hardee | Hayes |
| Henderson | Henegan | Herbkersman |
| Hicks | Hill | Hixon |
| Hodges | Hosey | Huggins |
| Johnson | Jordan | King |
| Kirby | Knight | Limehouse |
| Loftis | Long | Lucas |
| Mack | McCoy | McEachern |
| M. S. McLeod | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| Murphy | Neal | Newton |
| Norman | Norrell | Ott |
| Parks | Pitts | Pope |
| Quinn | Ridgeway | Riley |
| Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal |
| Sandifer | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Spires | Taylor | Toole |
| Whitmire | Willis | Yow |

**Total--78**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

The Senate Amendments were agreed to, and the Bill having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification.

**H. 4135--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN AND BILL ENROLLED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 4135 -- Reps. Bedingfield, Hamilton, G. R. Smith, Burns, Allison, Willis, Putnam, Bannister, Chumley, Dillard, Henderson, Loftis, Nanney and Stringer: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 18, CHAPTER 53, TITLE 59, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO GREENVILLE TECHNICAL COLLEGE AREA COMMISSION, SO AS TO REVISE THE MANNER IN WHICH MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ARE SELECTED, TO REVISE THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AND TO REVISE OR PROVIDE FOR OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS.

Rep. HAMILTON explained the Senate Amendments.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 84; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anderson | Anthony |
| Atwater | Bales | Ballentine |
| Bannister | Bernstein | Bingham |
| Bowers | Bradley | G. A. Brown |
| R. L. Brown | Burns | Collins |
| H. A. Crawford | Crosby | Delleney |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Funderburk | Gagnon |
| Gambrell | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Hamilton | Hardee | Hayes |
| Henderson | Henegan | Herbkersman |
| Hicks | Hill | Hixon |
| Hodges | Hosey | Huggins |
| Johnson | Kennedy | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | M. S. McLeod |
| D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss | Murphy |
| Neal | Norman | Norrell |
| Ott | Pitts | Pope |
| Quinn | Ridgeway | Riley |
| Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal |
| Sandifer | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Spires | Tallon | Taylor |
| Toole | Weeks | Wells |
| Whitmire | Willis | Yow |

**Total--84**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

The Senate Amendments were agreed to, and the Bill having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification.

**S. 3--POINT OF ORDER**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

S. 3 -- Senators L. Martin, Shealy, Malloy, Courson, Fair, Turner, Lourie and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-25-10 OF THE 1976 CODE, TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 16-25-20 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO RESTRUCTURE THE CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES INTO DEGREES AND PROVIDE PENALTIES; TO AMEND SECTION 16-25-30, RELATING TO THE ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A PERSON CONVICTED OF A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSE, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON CONVICTED OF A CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSE OR A PERSON SUBJECT TO AN ORDER OF PROTECTION FOR DOMESTIC OR FAMILY VIOLENCE TO SHIP, TRANSPORT, OR RECEIVE A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION, AND TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO A PERSON TO WHOM THE STATUTE APPLIES; TO AMEND SECTION 16-25-65, RELATING TO CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OF A HIGH AND AGGRAVATED NATURE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE COURT MUST ORDER PARTICIPATION IN A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM AND ALLOW A RESTRICTION ON FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AS A CONDITION OF BOND; AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE PERSON, BY ADDING ARTICLE 18, TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMANENT AND EMERGENCY CIVIL NO-CONTACT ORDERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DURATION OF CIVIL NO-CONTACT ORDERS, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF CIVIL NO-CONTACT ORDERS.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. RUTHERFORD made the Point of Order that the Senate Amendments were improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to such reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR**

Rep. RUTHERFORD moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4275 -- Reps. Gagnon, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR TEVIN RICHARDSON OF ABBEVILLE COUNTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM FOR WINNING TWO STATE TITLES IN THE 2015 CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4276 -- Reps. Parks, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE WESTON CHAPEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL (AME) CHURCH OF GREENWOOD ON THE OCCASION OF ITS HISTORIC ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY AND TO

COMMEND THE CHURCH FOR A CENTURY AND A HALF OF SERVICE TO GOD AND THE COMMUNITY.

The Resolution was adopted.

**H. 3878--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

Rep. GAMBRELL moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill until Thursday, May 28, which was adopted:

H. 3878 -- Reps. White, Pope, Clemmons, Duckworth, Goldfinch, Hardwick, Johnson, H. A. Crawford, George, Yow, Ryhal, Hardee, Hayes and Kirby: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-510, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO TAX RATES FOR INDIVIDUALS, ESTATES, AND TRUSTS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE TAX BRACKETS FOR EACH TAX RATE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-520, RELATING TO THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF INCOME TAX BRACKETS, SO AS PROVIDE THE BRACKETS SHALL NOT BE ADJUSTED IN TAX YEARS 2016 AND 2017.

**S. 261--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 261 -- Senator Thurmond: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-111-320 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PERSONS AGE SIXTY AND OVER ATTENDING CLASSES AT STATE-SUPPORTED COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT THESE PERSONS RECEIVING COMPENSATION AS FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES MUST PAY TUITION.

Rep. TAYLOR explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 95; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Atwater | Bales |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bernstein |
| Bingham | Bowers | Bradley |
| G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown | Burns |
| Chumley | Clary | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| H. A. Crawford | Crosby | Delleney |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Forrester |
| Funderburk | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| Gilliard | Goldfinch | Govan |
| Hardee | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hicks |
| Hill | Hiott | Hixon |
| Hodges | Horne | Hosey |
| Huggins | Jefferson | Jordan |
| Kennedy | King | Kirby |
| Knight | Limehouse | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | Merrill | V. S. Moss |
| Murphy | Neal | Newton |
| Norman | Norrell | Ott |
| Parks | Pitts | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Rivers | Sandifer |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Southard | Spires | Tallon |
| Taylor | Thayer | Tinkler |
| Toole | Weeks | Wells |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Yow |  |

**Total--95**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

Rep. BINGHAM moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

**MOTION NOTED**

Rep. COLE moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House concurred in the Senate amendments to H. 3888 and enrolled the Bill for ratification and the motion was noted.

**RETURNED WITH CONCURRENCE**

The Senate returned to the House with concurrence the following:

H. 4256 -- Rep. Gambrell: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE FRIENDSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT IN ANDERSON COUNTY FOR THE VALUABLE PUBLIC SERVICE IT RENDERS TO ITS COMMUNITY EVERY DAY AND TO CONGRATULATE THE DEPARTMENT ON THE CELEBRATION OF ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

H. 4258 -- Reps. Huggins, Ballentine, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND RECOGNIZE DR. STEPHEN W. "STEVE" HEFNER UPON BEING NAMED THE 2016 SOUTH CAROLINA SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:35 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. FUNDERBURK, adjourned in memory of Judge John Ernest Kinard, Jr., of Camden, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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