**Thursday, April 16, 2015**

**(Statewide Session)**

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 The Senate assembled at 11:00 A.M., the hour to which it stood adjourned, and was called to order by the PRESIDENT.

 A quorum being present, the proceedings were opened with a devotion by the Chaplain as follows:

 In the writings of the prophet Isaiah we read:

 “Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right...”

 (Isaiah 56:1a)

 Join your heart and mind to mine as we pray, if you will:

 Holy and Most Loving Lord, we do know that in many places there are those leaders who only look out for themselves, those who have no intention of doing what is right or truly needful, individuals who cut corners and who fail to comprehend what “honor” and “integrity” are all about. We are thankful, O God, that the members of this Senate see their roles so differently from those others. Continue to lead our state’s conscientious and committed Senators as they “maintain justice,” as they “do what is right,” and as they bring great benefit to all South Carolinians. As always, we pray this in Your wondrous name, dear Lord. Amen.

 The PRESIDENT called for Petitions, Memorials, Presentments of Grand Juries and such like papers.

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following appointments were transmitted by the Honorable Nikki Randhawa Haley:

**Local Appointments**

Reappointment, Edgefield County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2014, and to expire April 30, 2018

James A. McLaurin, 224 McDaniel Drive, Trenton, SC 29847

Initial Appointment, Chester County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2015, and to expire April 30, 2019

Barbara H. Cameron, Post Office Box 1601, Chester, SC 29706 *VICE* Diane Moore

Initial Appointment, Williamsburg County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2014, and to expire April 30, 2018

Glen A. Kennedy, 661 Carrols Road, Greeleyville, SC 29056 *VICE* Wilmont E. McCutchen (resigned)

**Doctor of the Day**

 Senator McELVEEN introduced Dr. Tariq Horani of Columbia, S.C., Doctor of the Day.

**Leave of Absence**

 On motion of Senator CAMPSEN, at 11:21 A.M., Senator GROOMS was granted a leave of absence for the balance of the day.

**Leave of Absence**

 On motion of Senator NICHOLSON, at 11:41 A.M., Senator WILLIAMS was granted a leave of absence for the balance of the day.

**Leave of Absence**

 On motion of Senator CROMER, at 12:05 P.M., Senator HAYES was granted a leave of absence for the balance of the day.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator LEATHERMAN rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator SETZLER rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

The following co-sponsor was added to the respective Bill:

S. 40 Sen. Young

**RECALLED**

 S. 588 -- Senators Young, Setzler and Massey: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7‑7‑40, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN AIKEN COUNTY, SO AS TO ADD FIVE 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.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN asked unanimous consent to make a motion to recall the Bill from the Committee on Judiciary.

 The Bill was recalled from the Committee on Judiciary and ordered placed on the Calendar for consideration tomorrow.

**RECOMMITTED**

S. 593 -- Judiciary Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, RELATING TO COMMISSIONERS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4454, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

 The following were introduced:

 S. 671 -- Senator Williams: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE MAJOR AND HATTIE BETHEA, OWNERS OF MAJOR'S CLEANING AND LAUNDRY, INC. IN DILLON FOR SIXTY YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 672 -- Senators Davis and Hutto: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA MEDICAL MARIJUANA PROGRAM ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 20 TO CHAPTER 53, TITLE 44 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE PALLIATIVE USE OF MARIJUANA BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WITH CERTAIN DISEASES AND MEDICAL CONDITIONS; TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO ACT AS DESIGNATED CAREGIVERS IN ORDER TO ASSIST QUALIFYING PATIENTS WITH THE PALLIATIVE USE OF MARIJUANA; TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MEDICAL PROVIDERS TO RECOMMEND THE PALLIATIVE USE OF MARIJUANA UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; TO CREATE A CONFIDENTIAL REGISTRY THROUGH WHICH TO ISSUE IDENTIFICATION CARDS TO REGISTERED PATIENTS AND REGISTERED CAREGIVERS; TO PROVIDE CERTAIN DEFENSES AND OTHER PROTECTIONS TO, AMONG OTHERS, REGISTERED PATIENTS, REGISTERED CAREGIVERS, MEDICAL PROVIDERS, LICENSED DISPENSARY AGENTS, LICENSED GROWERS, AGENTS OF LICENSED PROCESSORS, AGENTS OF CERTIFIED REVERSE DISTRIBUTORS, AND AGENTS OF CERTIFIED LABORATORY TESTING FACILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF DISPENSARIES, PROCESSORS, AND GROWERS TO CULTIVATE, GROW, AND DISPENSE MARIJUANA FOR PALLIATIVE PURPOSES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF REVERSE DISTRIBUTORS TO ENSURE SAFE DISPOSAL PRACTICES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SEED-TO-SALE ELECTRONIC MONITORING SYSTEM TO TRACK MARIJUANA COMPONENTS FROM CULTIVATION TO POINT OF SALE; TO REQUIRE TESTING OF MARIJUANA PRODUCTS BEFORE SALE TO PROTECT PATIENT HEALTH; TO PROVIDE FOR CERTIFICATION OF TESTING LABORATORIES; TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN FEES; TO CREATE CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING THE TERMS OF THE ARTICLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; AND TO REPEAL ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER 53, TITLE 44 RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THERAPEUTIC RESEARCH.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Medical Affairs.

 S. 673 -- Senator Sheheen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 4-9-82(A) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO TRANSFER BY HOSPITAL PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT OF ASSETS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM "TRANSFER" DOES NOT INCLUDE ENTRY INTO A LEASE OR A MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT BY A HOSPITAL PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 674 -- Senator S. Martin: A BILL TO REPEAL TITLE 42 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT; TO AMEND THE 1976 CODE, BY ADDING TITLE 64 TO ENACT THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO COMPUTATION OF INTEREST OR DISCOUNT RATES UNDER THIS TITLE; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE METHOD OF TRANSMISSION OF INFORMATION; TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE GENERAL OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE; TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT, GOALS, AND MISSION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES, QUALIFICATIONS, COMPENSATION, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PERSONNEL EMPLOYED BY THE DIVISION; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE GENERAL POWERS, OPERATING PROCEDURES, AND DUTIES OF THE DIVISION; TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PROCEDURES FOR THE HANDLING OF DIVISION RECORDS AND EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE HANDLING OF MONIES COLLECTED UNDER AND FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS TITLE; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OFFICE OF INJURED EMPLOYEE COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMANTS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE QUALIFICATIONS, DUTIES, RULES, AND PROCEDURES OF THAT OFFICE; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE CREATION OF AN OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM MAINTAINED BY THE OFFICE TO ASSIST INJURED EMPLOYEES AND CLAIMANTS; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION RESEARCH AND EVALUATION GROUP THAT WILL CONDUCT PROFESSIONAL STUDIES RELATED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION ISSUES; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE OF PERSONS COVERED UNDER THIS ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO SELF-INSURANCE AND COVERAGE; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOUTH CAROLINA SELF-INSURANCE GROUP GUARANTY FUND TO PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE BENEFITS; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PLAN AND OPERATION OF THE BOARD THAT SHALL CREATE AND MAINTAIN THE FUND; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS, PAYMENTS, REMEDIES, AND DAMAGES; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURES OF BENEFITS; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO CLAIM NOTIFICATIONS PROCEDURES AND TIMEFRAMES AND EMPLOYEE'S RIGHTS; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PROCEDURES OF ADJUDICATION OF DISPUTES AND JUDICIAL REVIEW; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO GENERAL PROVISIONS OF WORKERS' HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES; TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF RISK MANAGEMENT; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO MEDICAL REVIEW OF PROVIDERS AND SERVICES RECEIVED TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT OF COMPLIANCE AND PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THIS ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE VIOLATIONS, ASSESSMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS; TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR FRAUDULENTLY OBTAINING OR DENYING BENEFITS; TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS RELATING TO MISUSE OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION NAME; TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST EMPLOYEES; TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR EMPLOYEES OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 675 -- Finance Committee: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 9-1-1310 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO TRUSTEES OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, TO PROVIDE THAT THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT COMMISSION IS A COTRUSTEE INSTEAD OF THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD, AND TO REQUIRE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY TO HOLD THE ASSETS OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM IN A GROUP TRUST; TO AMEND SECTION 9-1-1320, RELATING TO THE CUSTODIAN OF RETIREMENT FUNDS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY SHALL BE THE CUSTODIAN, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT COMMISSION TO SELECT THE CUSTODIAL BANK; TO REPEAL SECTIONS 9-8-170(1), 9-9-160(1), 9-10-80(A), AND 9-11-250(1), ALL RELATING TO THE CUSTODIAN OF RETIREMENT FUNDS; TO AMEND SECTION 9-4-10, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY, TO CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, TO PROVIDE THAT DIRECTORS SERVE FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS AND MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; TO AMEND SECTION 9-4-40, RELATING TO THE AUDIT OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY, TO REQUIRE THE AUDIT BE PERFORMED EVERY FOUR YEARS; TO REPEAL SECTION 9-1-310 RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; TO REPEAL SECTION 9-4-45 RELATING TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY'S POLICY DETERMINATIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 9-16-10, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO RETIREMENT SYSTEM FUNDS, TO DEFINE "FIDUCIARY" AND "TRUSTEE"; BY ADDING SECTION 9-16-25 TO PROVIDE FOR SIGNATORIES AUTHORIZED TO SIGN VOUCHERS TO EFFECT THE PAYMENT FROM THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S FUNDS OR TRANSFERS BETWEEN RETIREMENT SYSTEM ACCOUNTS NECESSARY FOR THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT COMMISSION TO CARRY OUT ITS EXCLUSIVE AUTHORITY TO INVEST; TO AMEND SECTION 9-16-315, RELATING TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT COMMISSION, TO CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT COMMISSION, TO PROVIDE THAT COMMISSION MEMBERS SERVE FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS AND MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS, TO PROVIDE FOR QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS, TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND TO PROVIDE FOR HIRING LEGAL COUNSEL; TO AMEND SECTION 9-16-320(A), RELATING TO THE ANNUAL INVESTMENT PLAN OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT COMMISSION, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER SHALL DEVELOP THE PLAN SUBJECT TO THE OVERSIGHT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; TO AMEND SECTION 9-16-330(A), RELATING TO INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES, TO INCORPORATE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; TO AMEND SECTION 9-16-335, RELATING TO THE ASSUMED RATE OF RETURN, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ASSUMED RATE OF RETURN EXPIRES EVERY FOUR YEARS SUBJECT TO ACTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO AMEND SECTION 9-16-340, RELATING TO THE INVESTMENT OF RETIREMENT FUNDS, TO INCORPORATE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; AND TO AMEND SECTION 9-16-380, RELATING TO THE AUDIT OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT COMMISSION, TO REQUIRE THE AUDIT BE PERFORMED EVERY FOUR YEARS.

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 Read the first time and ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

 S. 676 -- Senator Sabb: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 23 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, BY ADDING ARTICLE 18, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION MUST INVESTIGATE OFFICER-INVOLVED DEATHS OR WHERE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER INFLICTS GREAT BODILY INJURY ON AN INDIVIDUAL, TO PROVIDE THAT IF A STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OFFICER IS THE PROPER SUBJECT OF AN INVESTIGATION THEN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ASSIGN THE INVESTIGATION TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY WITH APPROPRIATE EXPERTISE TO INVESTIGATE, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 7, TITLE 1, RELATING TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MUST DETERMINE WHETHER TO PROSECUTE CASES RELATED TO OFFICER INVOLVED DEATHS OR GREAT BODILY INJURY, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MUST PROSECUTE THE CASES UNLESS HE HAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN WHICH CASE HE MUST SELECT ANOTHER PROSECUTOR.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 677 -- Senator Sabb: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS SYMPATHY AND COMMEMORATE THE LIFE OF PATROLMAN ARNOLD REO "BUCK" CARTER WHO MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE WHILE IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME DOUGLAS ROAD IN WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY "PATROLMAN ARNOLD CARTER MEMORIAL ROAD" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS ROAD THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION AS A LASTING TRIBUTE TO THIS SON OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

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 The Concurrent Resolution was adopted, ordered sent to the House.

 S. 678 -- Senators L. Martin and O'Dell: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE INTENT OF THE SENATE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INTENDED THAT S.C. CODE ANN. SECTION 39-5-20(b) (1985) REQUIRES THAT THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION ACT DEFINITION OF "UNFAIR" BE CHARGED TO THE JURY ON THE MEANING OF "UNFAIR" IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES ACT.

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 Senator LARRY MARTIN spoke on the Resolution.

 The Senate Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 679 -- Senators Hembree, Rankin, Coleman and Johnson: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CREATE A "STUDY COMMITTEE ON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS" TO REVIEW LAWS, POLICIES, PRACTICES, AND PROCEDURES FROM THIS STATE AND OTHER JURISDICTIONS REGARDING HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS, AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR SOUTH CAROLINA'S STATUTORY LAW.

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 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 680 -- Senators Rankin and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 47-1-145, TO ENACT THE "PROVISIONS FOR COST OF ANIMAL CARE ACT OF 2015", TO PROVIDE THAT THE CUSTODIAN OF AN ANIMAL TAKEN INTO CUSTODY DUE TO CIVIL OR CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS BY ITS OWNER MAY PETITION THE COURT FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO PROVIDING CARE TO THE ANIMAL, TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR HEARING SUCH PETITIONS AND FOR THE COLLECTION AND USE OF FUNDS ORDERED TO BE PAID, TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON WHO FAILS TO PAY SUCH FUNDS FORFEITS RIGHTS OF OWNERSHIP TO THE ANIMAL, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISPOSITION OF SUCH AN ANIMAL, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE RETURN OF FUNDS WHEN A PERSON IS NOT FOUND TO BE IN VIOLATION; TO AMEND SECTION 47-1-130, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, TO PROVIDE THAT AGENTS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, OR ANY OTHER SOCIETY DULY INCORPORATED FOR THAT PURPOSE, MAY ASSIST WITH A LAWFUL INVESTIGATION OF THIS CHAPTER, BUT MAY ONLY EFFECTUATE AN ARREST OF A PERSON IF THEY HAVE BEEN VESTED WITH THE POWER TO ARREST BY A SHERIFF OR THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY; AND TO AMEND SECTION 47-1-140, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE OWNER OF ANIMALS WHICH HAVE BEEN SEIZED FROM OTHERS UPON ARREST, TO REMOVE SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR AGENTS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS, OR ANY OTHER SOCIETY DULY INCORPORATED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

 S. 681 -- Senator Pinckney: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE ARTHUR BERNARD CARTIER FOR WINNING THE 2015 SENATOR FOR A DAY SPEECH CONTEST SPONSORED BY SENATOR CLEMENTA PINCKNEY OF JASPER COUNTY.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 H. 3579 -- Reps. Simrill, White, Lucas, Allison, Henderson, Limehouse, Newton, Ott, Clary, Collins, Delleney, Forrester, Gambrell, Hardwick, Hiott, Horne, Merrill, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Pitts, Sandifer, G. M. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Wells, Whitmire, Yow, Jefferson, Erickson, Funderburk, Hosey, Hixon, Clyburn, Knight, Herbkersman, H. A. Crawford, Felder, Willis, McCoy, Bradley, Douglas, Norrell, Long, Bales, Daning, Loftis, Tallon, Anthony, Howard, Gagnon, Riley, Williams, Hayes, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Hart, Weeks, Whipper, Pope, Tinkler, Hicks, Brannon, Corley, Clemmons, Johnson, George, Alexander, Anderson and Duckworth: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE REFORM AND TAX RELIEF ACT"; TO AMEND SECTIONS 57-1-310, 57-1-320, 57-1-325, AND 57-1-330, ALL AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE COMMISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ALL THE COMMISSIONERS MUST BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR AND SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR, TO PROVIDE THAT APPOINTEES MUST BE SCREENED BY THE JOINT TRANSPORTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE, AND TO PROVIDE THAT NO PERSON MAY SERVE AS A COMMISSIONER FOR MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS AND NO COUNTY MAY HAVE A RESIDENT COMMISSIONER FOR MORE THAN TWELVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS; TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-410, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE COMMISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, INSTEAD OF THE GOVERNOR, SHALL APPOINT THE SECRETARY; TO AMEND SECTIONS 57-1-730 AND 57-1-740, AS AMENDED, RELATING RESPECTIVELY TO THE DUTIES OF THE JOINT TRANSPORTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE, BOTH SO AS TO REQUIRE THE COMMITTEE TO SCREEN APPOINTEES TO THE COMMISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN A SIMILAR MANNER AS CURRENTLY ELECTED COMMISSIONERS ARE SCREENED; BY ADDING SECTION 57-1-95 SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE COMMENCEMENT OF ANY NEW ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THIS STATE UNTIL JULY 1, 2020, AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 11-43-140, RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE BANK, SO AS TO INCREASE THE BOARD TO THIRTEEN MEMBERS AND TO SET FORTH THE MEMBERSHIP, AND TO PROVIDE THAT NO MEMBER MAY SERVE MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS; TO AMEND SECTION 11-43-180, RELATING TO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GIVEN BY THE INFRASTRUCTURE BANK, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE BANK FROM PROVIDING ANY LOANS OR OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ANY PROJECT UNLESS THE ELIGIBLE COSTS OF THE PROJECT ARE AT LEAST TWENTY FIVE MILLION DOLLARS; BY ADDING SECTION 11-43-265 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE INFRASTRUCTURE BANK TO PRIORITIZE ALL PROJECTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA ESTABLISHED IN ACT 114 OF 2007, AND TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION; BY ADDING SECTION 57-1-100 SO AS TO SET FORTH THE OPTIONAL PROCESS BY WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TRANSFERS CERTAIN STATE ROADS TO THE COUNTIES OF THIS STATE, TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED TO THE PARTICIPATING COUNTIES OVER TIME, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH PARTICIPATING COUNTY MUST RECEIVE ONE MILLION DOLLARS BEFORE THE FUNDS ARE DISTRIBUTED BASED ON A FORMULA, TO AMEND SECTION 12-28-2740, RELATING TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE GASOLINE USER FEE TO THE COUNTIES OF THIS STATE, TO ABOLISH THE CURRENT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES AND THEN RECONSTITUTE THEM WITH THE ADDITION OF MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATION, AND TO SPECIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH "C" FUNDS MUST BE EXPENDED; TO AMEND SECTIONS 56-5-4210 AND 56-5-4220, BOTH RELATING TO ROAD RESTRICTIONS, SO AS TO SPECIFY CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON LOCALITIES; TO AMEND SECTION 12-28-310, RELATING TO THE USER FEE ON GASOLINE, SO AS TO REDUCE THE FEE TO TEN CENTS A GALLON; TO AMEND SECTION 56-11-410, RELATING TO THE ROAD TAX, SO AS TO REDUCE THE TAX TO TEN CENTS A GALLON; TO AMEND SECTION 56-11-450, RELATING TO THE CREDIT AGAINST ROAD TAX, SO AS TO REDUCE THE CREDIT TO TEN CENTS A GALLON; TO AMEND SECTION 12-36-2110, RELATING TO THE MAXIMUM TAX, SO AS TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM TAX FROM THREE HUNDRED TO FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ON THE SALE OR LEASE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE; TO AMEND SECTION 12-36-2647, RELATING TO THE TAX REVENUES COLLECTED FROM THE SALE OR LEASE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE, SO AS TO CREDIT ALL THE REVENUES TO THE STATE HIGHWAY FUND EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN AMOUNTS THAT ARE USED FOR THE EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT ACT; BY ADDING ARTICLE 4 TO CHAPTER 28, TITLE 12 SO AS TO IMPOSE AN EXCISE TAX ON THE WHOLESALE PRICE OF MOTOR FUEL EQUAL TO THE CUMULATIVE STATE SALES TAX RATE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE REVENUE MUST BE CREDITED TO THE STATE HIGHWAY FUND, TO PROVIDE THAT THE EXCISE TAX MAY NOT EXCEED THE EQUIVALENT OF SIXTEEN CENTS A GALLON, AND TO PROVIDE THE MANNER IN WHICH THE EXCISE TAX IS CALCULATED AND ADMINISTERED; BY ADDING ARTICLE 9 TO CHAPTER 11, TITLE 57 SO AS TO IMPOSE AN EXCISE TAX ON MOTOR CARRIERS IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE EXCISE TAX ON MOTOR FUEL; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-510, 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.

 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

 Senator CAMPSEN from the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry submitted a favorable report on:

 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.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator CAMPSEN from the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry submitted a favorable report on:

 H. 3393 -- Rep. Lowe: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 50‑9‑630 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON SHALL OBTAIN A FEDERAL MIGRATORY HUNTING AND CONSERVATION STAMP IN ADDITION TO OBTAINING REQUIRED STATE HUNTING LICENSES AND PERMITS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES MAY CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE TO MAKE THE FEDERAL MIGRATORY HUNTING AND CONSERVATION STAMP AVAILABLE THROUGH THE LICENSE SALES SYSTEM OF THE DEPARTMENT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE STAMP ON STATE HUNTING LICENSES BY THE DEPARTMENT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED FEES, AMONG OTHER THINGS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 50‑9‑920, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO REVENUE GENERATED FROM THE SALE OF HUNTING LICENSES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FEES REMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR EACH FEDERAL MIGRATORY HUNTING AND CONSERVATION STAMP MUST BE CREDITED TO THE FISH AND WILDLIFE PROTECTION FUND, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF THESE FEES.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator CAMPSEN from the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry submitted a favorable report on:

 H. 3668 -- Reps. Pitts and Goldfinch: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 50‑11‑365, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ALL PERSONS MUST WEAR A HAT, COAT, OR VEST OF SOLID VISIBLE INTERNATIONAL ORANGE WHILE ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA LANDS DURING DEER HUNTING SEASON.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator CAMPSEN from the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry submitted a favorable report on:

 H. 3762 -- Reps. Hayes and Hiott: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50‑11‑2460, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO ANIMAL TRAPS THAT ARE ALLOWED FOR TRAPPING, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A TRAP MAY BEAR ITS OWNER’S DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES‑ISSUED CUSTOMER NUMBER.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO A CALL OF THE UNCONTESTED LOCAL AND STATEWIDE CALENDAR.**

**READ THE THIRD TIME**

**SENT TO THE HOUSE**

The following Bills were read the third time and ordered sent to the House of Representatives:

 S. 599 -- Senator O’Dell: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 1147 OF 1968, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE G. FRANK RUSSELL CAREER CENTER, SO AS TO RENAME THE CENTER THE G. FRANK RUSSELL TECHNOLOGY CENTER, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION REDUCING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TECHNOLOGY CENTER’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE FROM SEVEN MEMBERS TO SIX MEMBERS DUE TO THE DISSOLUTION OF THE GREENWOOD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION PURSUANT TO ACT 175 OF 1997.

S. 255 -- Senator Thurmond: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 17‑1‑40, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESTRUCTION OF ARREST AND BOOKING RECORDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON OR ENTITY WHO PUBLISHES ON THE PERSON OR ENTITY’S WEBSITE THE ARREST AND BOOKING RECORDS OF A PERSON WHOSE CHARGES HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED OR DISMISSED, OR OF A PERSON WHO IS FOUND NOT GUILTY OF A CHARGE, SHALL, WITHOUT FEE OR COMPENSATION, REMOVE THE ARREST AND BOOKING RECORDS WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF A WRITTEN REQUEST, AND TO PROVIDE THE PENALTIES FOR A PERSON OR ENTITY WHO FAILS TO REMOVE THE ARREST AND BOOKING RECORDS.

S. 133 -- Senators Davis and Kimpson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 63‑19‑2050 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO RECORD DESTRUCTION OF JUVENILE RECORDS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT OF JUVENILE RECORDS FOR NON‑VIOLENT CRIMES THAT OCCUR BEFORE THE AGE OF SIXTEEN YEARS OLD, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT MAY OCCUR, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXPUNGEMENT PROCESS FOR JUVENILE RECORDS RELATED TO CERTAIN CRIMES THAT OCCUR AT THE AGE OF SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEARS OLD.

**AMENDED, READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 441 -- Senators Hayes and Hutto: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 30 TO TITLE 37 SO AS TO ENACT THE “GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION ACT”, TO PROVIDE A FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS ARE DEFINED AND MAY BE OFFERED WITHIN THIS STATE, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFERING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS, TO PROVIDE THE DISCLOSURES REQUIRED, TO PROVIDE FOR CANCELLATION OF GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THIS CHAPTER.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill.

 Senator SHEHEEN proposed the following amendment (441R001.KG.VAS), which was adopted:

 Amend the bill, as and if amended, page 6, after line 10, by inserting a new section:

 / Section 37-30-175. A consumer who suffers loss by reason of a violation of this chapter may bring a civil action to enforce the provisions, and if successful in the action, shall recover actual damages, reasonable attorney’s fees, and court costs incurred by bringing the action. /

 Renumber sections to conform.

 Amend title to conform.

 The question then was the second reading of the Bill.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 37; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Campbell Campsen Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Johnson Kimpson Leatherman

Malloy *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Matthews McElveen

Nicholson Peeler Pinckney

Rankin Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

Sheheen Thurmond Turner

Young

**Total--37**

**NAYS**

Bright Bryant

**Total--2**

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

H. 3464 -- Reps. R.L. Brown, Whipper and G.A. Brown: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40‑7‑350, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO BARBERS AND BARBERING, SO AS TO DELETE AND REPLACE THE CURRENT LANGUAGE WITH LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR BARBER SCHOOLS AND BARBER SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill, the question being the second reading of the Bill.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campsen

Cleary Coleman Corbin

Courson Cromer Davis

Fair Gregory Hayes

Hembree Hutto Johnson

Kimpson Leatherman Lourie

Malloy *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Matthews McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Rankin Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

Sheheen Thurmond Turner

Young

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 The Bill was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 500 -- Senator Hayes: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 23, CHAPTER 17, TITLE 63, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE UNIFORM INTERSTATE FAMILY SUPPORT ACT, SO AS TO ENACT AMENDMENTS TO THAT ACT ADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF COMMISSIONERS FOR UNIFORM STATE LAWS IN 2008, AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL “PREVENTING SEX TRAFFICKING AND STRENGTHENING FAMILIES ACT” INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, AMENDMENTS ADDRESSING INTERNATIONAL RECOVERY OF CHILD SUPPORT AND OTHER FAMILY MAINTENANCE AND DETERMINATION OF PARENTAGE.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill, the question being the second reading of the Bill.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campsen

Cleary Coleman Corbin

Courson Cromer Davis

Fair Gregory Hembree

Hutto Jackson Johnson

Kimpson Leatherman Lourie

Malloy *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Matthews McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

Sheheen Thurmond Turner

Young

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 The Bill was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

 H. 3662 -- Rep. Atwater: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 6‑9‑55, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT DATE OF SECTION 501.3 OF THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, SO AS TO CHANGE THE ENFORCEMENT DATE FROM JULY 1, 2015 TO JULY 1, 2016.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill, the question being the second reading of the Bill.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 37; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campsen

Cleary Coleman Corbin

Courson Cromer Davis

Fair Gregory Hembree

Hutto Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey Matthews

McElveen O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

Sheheen Thurmond Turner

Young

**Total--37**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 The Bill was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**AMENDED, READ THE SECOND TIME**

 H. 3663 -- Reps. Bingham and Mitchell: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO REMOVE THE CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY AND DEVOLVE THE BOARD’S POWERS UPON THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD AND DIRECT THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD TO REMOVE THE CURRENT PRESIDENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY AND EMPLOY AN INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WHO SHALL SERVE AT‑WILL AT THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD TO AID IN DIRECTING THE UNIVERSITY IN A NEW DIRECTION WITH AN EMPHASIS ON ADDRESSING AND CORRECTING THE ONGOING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES OF THE UNIVERSITY IN ORDER TO KEEP THE UNIVERSITY FUNCTIONAL AND MAINTAIN ITS ACCREDITATION.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Joint Resolution.

 Senators LEATHERMAN, SETZLER, COURSON, MATTHEWS, JACKSON, HUTTO, O’DELL, WILLIAMS and NICHOLSON proposed the following amendment (BBM\3663C004.BBM.DG15), which was adopted:

 Amend the joint resolution, as and if amended, by striking all after the title and inserting:

 / Whereas, the members of the General Assembly recognize that historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) serve as important and vital institutions for the education of students; and

 Whereas, South Carolina State University, an HBCU, was founded in 1896 as the state’s sole public college for black youth and has played a key role in the education of African Americans and other races in the State and nation; and

 Whereas, while it is vital for this State that South Carolina State University remains open, and that it maintains its legacy of excellence in education, and continues to produce generations of scholars and leaders, it must do so in such a manner that operating expenditures do not exceed available revenue in a fiscal year; and

 Whereas, out of a desire to support a return to financial and enrollment stability at South Carolina State University, since April 2014, the State has loaned the university $7 million and provided up to another $10.5 million over the next three fiscal years contingent on the university maintaining a balanced operating budget, for a total of up to $17.5 million; and

 Whereas, as of January 31, 2015, South Carolina State University’s past due vendor accounts payable has grown from $10.3 million at the beginning of the fiscal year to $11.1 million at the end of the first seven months of the current fiscal year; and

 Whereas, on February 13, 2015, the Executive Director of the Executive Budget Office informed South Carolina State University that in its opinion the university would end the current fiscal year with another operating deficit; and

 Whereas, eroding public trust and confidence in the willingness or ability of South Carolina State University to successfully operate within a balanced budget, coupled with ongoing accreditation concerns related to financial, governance, and other matters, are among factors adversely impacting university enrollment which is at a level greatly in need of stabilization; and

 Whereas, removing the current members of the Board of Trustees of South Carolina State University and replacing the board temporarily with a new board to guide the institution out of its current financial difficulties is the responsibility of the General Assembly at this critical time for the State and South Carolina State University and is a requisite step toward restoring public trust and confidence in this important university and is necessary to help bring financial and enrollment stability to the university in order to ensure its long-term viability as an accredited public institution of higher learning in this State well into the future. Now, therefore,

 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

 SECTION 1. (A) Immediately upon the appointment of a full new board pursuant to subsection (B), the members of the Board of Trustees of South Carolina State University currently serving on the effective date of this joint resolution are hereby removed from service and the powers and duties of the board are transferred to and devolved upon the new board of trustees appointed pursuant to subsection (B).

 (B) Section 59‑127‑20 of the South Carolina Code, relating to the South Carolina State University Board of Trustees, election, and term, is suspended until June 30, 2018. There is established a new temporary Board of Trustees of South Carolina State University, to be composed of:

 (1) one member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

 (2) one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

 (3) one member appointed by the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee;

 (4) one member appointed by the Chairman of the House Education and Public Works Committee; and

 (5) one member appointed by the Governor.

 The members of the temporary board must be appointed no later than seven days following the effective date of this joint resolution. Each member must have experience in at least one of the following: finance, higher education administration, business administration, or public administration. The board shall meet as soon as practical and elect a chairman and other officers from its membership. Vacancies must be filled in the manner of the original appointment.

 (C) Unless extended by the General Assembly, the board established pursuant to subsection (B) shall serve until June 30, 2018, or until a full board is elected and qualified pursuant to Chapter 127, Title 59, whichever is later. The term of office for each seat on the board of trustees shall be suspended as of the date of removal pursuant to subsection (A) until a new member of the board of trustees is elected to that seat pursuant to Chapter 127, Title 59, after June 30, 2018. Initial terms of the new members of the board of trustees shall be the unexpired term of the seat to which they are elected.

 (D) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the board established pursuant to subsection (B) is authorized to develop programmatic, personnel, and related policies it deems necessary to ensure that the university operates within its appropriated and authorized budget. The policies the board develops may be across all operations of the university including, but not limited to, administration, academics, auxiliary operations, public service activities, and athletics. Programmatic and personnel policies developed by the board pursuant to this subsection must be reported as information to the Commission on Higher Education and the State Division of Human Resources, respectively, as soon as is practicable after implementation.

 (E) The board is responsible solely for the selection, periodic evaluation, and retention or termination of the university’s chief executive officer (CEO).

 (F) The board shall ensure there is a clear and appropriate distinction between the policy‑making functions of the board and the responsibility of the CEO, administration, and faculty to administer and implement policies and that the university has a clearly defined organizational structure that delineates responsibility for the administration of policies.

 (G) The board shall ensure that the university has qualified administrative and academic officers with the experience and competence necessary to lead the university.

 SECTION 2. This joint resolution takes effect upon approval by the Governor. /

 Renumber sections to conform.

 Amend title to conform.

 Senator COURSON explained the amendment.

 Senator MALLOY spoke on the Joint Resolution.

 The question then was the second reading of the Joint Resolution.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campbell

Campsen Cleary Coleman

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Hembree Hutto Jackson

Johnson Kimpson Leatherman

Lourie *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Matthews McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

Sheheen Thurmond Turner

Young

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

Malloy

**Total--1**

 There being no further amendments, the Joint Resolution was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**Objection**

 Senator SCOTT asked unanimous consent that the Joint Resolution be given third reading tomorrow.

 Senator MALLOY objected.

**CARRIED OVER**

S. 458 -- Senator Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 6‑9‑55(C) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT DATE OF SECTION 501.3 OF THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ENFORCEMENT DATE IS CHANGED TO JULY 1, 2016, FROM JULY 1, 2015.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Bill was carried over.

 S. 604 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - OFFICE OF OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH, RELATING TO RECORDKEEPING, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4558, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 605 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION, RELATING TO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4535, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 606 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BUILDING CODES COUNCIL, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4537, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 607 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION, RELATING TO APPLICATION FEE FOR A PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4556, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 608 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR GEOLOGISTS, RELATING TO SEALS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4557, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 609 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - SOIL CLASSIFIER ADVISORY COUNCIL, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4519, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 610 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS COMMISSION, RELATING TO INITIAL FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4518, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 611 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4517, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 612 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS BOARD, RELATING TO ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4516, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 613 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSURE OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS, AND PSYCHO-EDUCATIONAL SPECIALISTS, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4514, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 614 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4512, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 615 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICE, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4505, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 616 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR GEOLOGISTS, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4506, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 617 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION BOARD, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4504, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 618 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - MANUFACTURED HOUSING BOARD, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4508, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 619 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4503, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 620 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BUILDING CODES COUNCIL, RELATING TO BUILDING CODES COUNCIL, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4501, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 621 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION, RELATING TO FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4500, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 622 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS, RELATING TO APPLICATIONS AND FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4499, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 623 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE, RELATING TO OFFERS OF WORK, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4474, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 H. 3266 -- Reps. Hiott, Bannister, Brannon, Erickson, Henderson, Collins, Sandifer, Corley, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Wells, Felder, Kirby, Hixon, Hodges, Riley, Ott, Goldfinch, Hardee, Gagnon, Pitts, Finlay, Southard, D.C. Moss, Chumley, Yow, Huggins, Kennedy, Rivers and White: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 82 TO TITLE 15 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE “TRESPASSER RESPONSIBILITY ACT” WHICH PROVIDES A LIMITATION ON LIABILITY BY LAND POSSESSORS TO TRESPASSERS, AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS.

 On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Bill was carried over.

 H. 3443 -- Reps. Long, Erickson, Daning, Atwater, Bradley, Hixon, Newton, Ridgeway, Simrill, Spires, G.M. Smith, Weeks and Johnson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40‑37‑290, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PURCHASING, POSSESSING, ADMINISTERING, SUPPLYING, AND PRESCRIBING OF CERTAIN PHARMACEUTICAL AGENTS BY OPTOMETRISTS AND THE PROHIBITION ON SCHEDULE I AND II CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT SCHEDULE II CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THAT HAVE BEEN RECLASSIFIED FROM SCHEDULE III TO SCHEDULE II ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 6, 2014, MAY CONTINUE TO BE PURCHASED, POSSESSED, ADMINISTERED, SUPPLIED, AND PRESCRIBED BY AN OPTOMETRIST.

 On motion of Senator CAMPSEN, the Bill was carried over.

 S. 211 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 56‑2‑105(E) OF THE 1976 CODE, SO AS TO ALLOW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO CREATE SEPARATE GOLF CART PATHS ON STREETS AND ROADS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.

 On motion of Senator SCOTT, the Bill was carried over.

 S. 654 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION, RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL BOXING, WRESTLING, KICK BOXING, OFF THE STREET BOXING, AND MIXED MARTIAL ARTS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4536, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

 S. 665 -- Judiciary Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY, RELATING TO SUSPENSION OF CERTIFICATION DUE TO CRIMINAL CHARGES AND/OR INDICTMENT, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4524, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

 On motion of Senator HEMBREE, the Joint Resolution was carried over.

S. 40 -- Senators Bryant, Grooms, Davis, Campsen, Cleary, Alexander, Kimpson and Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO JOIN THE SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA JOINT WATER CAUCUS TO ENCOURAGE STATE AGENCIES, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, TO IMPLEMENT A WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE SAVANNAH RIVER BASIN TO ENSURE CONTINUOUS OPTIMIZATION OF WATER QUALITY AND QUANTITY MANAGEMENT OF THE WATER RESOURCES SHARED BY SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA THROUGHOUT THE SAVANNAH RIVER BASIN.

 On motion of Senator BRYANT, the Concurrent Resolution was carried over.

**OBJECTION**

S. 277 -- Senators Alexander, Rankin and Hutto: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE “STATE TELECOM EQUITY IN FUNDING ACT” BY ADDING SECTION 58‑9‑2515 SO AS TO CLARIFY THE JURISDICTION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OVER CERTAIN PROVIDERS REGARDING TELEPHONE SERVICE FOR HEARING AND SPEECH IMPAIRED PEOPLE; BY ADDING SECTION 58‑9‑2535 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER OF ASSESSING AND COLLECTING DUAL PARTY RELAY CHARGES BY LOCAL EXCHANGE PROVIDERS, COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL SERVICE PROVIDERS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 58‑9‑10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF TELEPHONE SERVICE, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITIONS OF “BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE TELEPHONE SERVICE” AND “CARRIER OF LAST RESORT”; TO AMEND SECTION 58‑9‑280, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND FOR CARRIERS OF LAST RESORT, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSITION OF THE INTERIM LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIER FUND INTO THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND, TO LIMIT THE SIZE OF THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND, AND TO REQUIRE VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL PROVIDERS, COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND PREPAID WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND; TO AMEND SECTION 58‑9‑576, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CERTAIN STAND‑ALONE BASIC RESIDENTIAL LINE RATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE TERMINATION OF THE RATES FIVE YEARS AFTER THEY BECOME EFFECTIVE; TO AMEND SECTION 58‑9‑2510, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING THE TELEPHONE SERVICE FOR HEARING AND SPEECH IMPAIRED PEOPLE, SO AS TO REVISE THESE DEFINITIONS AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 58‑9‑2530, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE OPERATING FUND FOR A SYSTEM OF DUAL PARTY RELAY DEVICES AND RELATED TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICES, SO AS TO IMPOSE CERTAIN UNIFORM-RELATED SURCHARGES ON LOCAL EXCHANGE PROVIDERS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 58‑9‑2540 RELATING TO AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONCERNING STATEWIDE TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY ACCESS SERVICE.

 Senator MALLOY objected to consideration of the Bill.

**OBJECTION**

S. 276 -- Senator Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 40‑59‑135 SO AS TO REQUIRE APPLICANTS APPLYING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION FOR LICENSURE AS A RESIDENTIAL BUILDER OR REGISTRATION AS A RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR TO DISCLOSE AND DESCRIBE ANY CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS, EXCEPT FOR MINOR TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS, ON HIS APPLICATION, TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION SHALL REQUIRE AN APPLICANT FOR INITIAL LICENSURE TO SUBMIT TO A FINGERPRINT‑BASED CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK IN THIS STATE AND IN ANY STATE WHERE HE DISCLOSES HAVING A CONVICTION, TO PROVIDE SIMILAR REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS SEEKING RENEWALS, TO IMPOSE RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS ON THE COMMISSION, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL PENALTY FOR FAILING TO DISCLOSE CONVICTIONS REQUIRING REGISTRATION AS A SEX OFFENDER.

 Senator ALEXANDER objected to consideration of the Bill.

**LOCAL APPOINTMENTS**

**Confirmations**

Having received a favorable report from the Senate, the following appointments were confirmed in open session:

Initial Appointment, Chester County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2015, and to expire April 30, 2019

Barbara H. Cameron, Post Office Box 1601, Chester, SC 29706 *VICE* Diane Moore

Initial Appointment, Williamsburg County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2014, and to expire April 30, 2018

Glen A. Kennedy, 661 Carrols Road, Greeleyville, SC 29056 *VICE* Wilmont E. McCutchen (resigned)

Reappointment, Edgefield County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2014, and to expire April 30, 2018

James A. McLaurin, 224 McDaniel Drive, Trenton, SC 29847

**Motion Adopted**

 On motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

 At 12:27 P.M., on motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11:00 A.M. under the provisions of Rule 1 for the purpose of taking up local matters and uncontested matters which have previously received unanimous consent to be taken up.

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