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The House assembled at 12:00 noon.

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

Our thought for today is from Jeremiah 17:7: “Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.”

Let us pray. Almighty God, please give us the strength to trust in You alone and may You support our hope in the days to come. When we cry aloud, be gracious and answer us. Lead these Representatives and Staff to know and experience the work expected of them. Protect our first responders and defenders of freedom. Look in favor upon our World, Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, Staff, and all who give of their time and effort to this great cause. Care for our men and women who protect and serve us, especially in times of need. 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 Friday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. MITCHELL moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of David Allen, which was agreed to.

**STATEMENT BY REP. TEDDER**

Rep. TEDDER made a statement relative to the career and contributions of former NFL player Harry Carson.

**SILENT PRAYER**

The House stood in silent prayer for the family and friends of former Representative Eldridge Emory.

**SILENT PRAYER**

The House stood in silent prayer for former President Jimmy Carter.

**INVITATIONS**

On motion of Rep. FORREST, with unanimous consent, the following were taken up for immediate consideration and accepted:

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of SC Human Service Providers, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

Heather Smith

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of SCBIO, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Luncheon. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, from 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

Heather Smith

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of the South Carolina Retail Association, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at The Palmetto Club.

Sincerely,

Krista Hinson, Executive Director

South Carolina Retail Association

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of the Transportation Association of South Carolina, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Columbia Convention Center.

Sincerely,

Lynn Stockman, Treasurer

Transportation Association of South Carolina

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of the SC Commission on Higher Education, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Thursday, March 2, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

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Legislative External Affairs Manager

SC Commission on Higher Education

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of Clemson University and the Clemson University Foundation, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at The Hall at Senate’s End, 320 Senate Street.

Sincerely,

James P. Clements, Ph.D.

President

Clemson University

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of Coalition for Access to Health Care, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Burgess, Ph.D., APRN, FAAN, FAANP, Vice Chair

Coalition for Access to Health Care

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of the Municipal Association of South Carolina, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Luncheon. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. on the State House Grounds.

Sincerely,

Todd Glover

Executive Director

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of Together SC, South Carolina’s Network of Charitable and Philanthropic Organizations, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Columbia Museum of Art.

Sincerely,

Benjamin D. Bullock

Vice President and COO

Together SC

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of the Association of Cosmetology Salon Professionals, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Thursday, March 9, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

Terry Frick

ACSP President

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of the South Carolina State Museum Foundation, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the South Carolina State Museum.

Sincerely,

Kelsie Crocker

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of State Farm Insurance Companies, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

Bruce White

Public Affairs/Marketing Department

State Farm Insurance Companies

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of the South Carolina Technical College System, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Luncheon. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. on the State House Grounds.

Sincerely,

Karen D. Taylor

Project Coordinator

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff and Families are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Segra Park.

Sincerely,

Dana M. Bolin, CAP-OM

BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina

Government Affairs Coordinator

February 21, 2023

The Honorable Dennis Moss

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Moss:

On behalf of Leadership South Carolina, the Members of the House of Representatives and their Staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

Helen Munnerlyn

Executive Director

Leadership South Carolina

**ROLL CALL**

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

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bauer | Beach | Bernstein |
| Blackwell | Bradley | Brewer |
| Brittain | Burns | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Carter | Caskey |
| Chapman | Chumley | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Collins | Connell |
| B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox | Crawford |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Guest | Guffey |
| Haddon | Hager | Hardee |
| Harris | Hart | Hartnett |
| Hayes | Henderson-Myers | Henegan |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Hyde | Jefferson | J. E. Johnson |
| J. L. Johnson | S. Jones | W. Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Leber | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Magnuson | May |
| McCabe | McCravy | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | J. Moore |
| T. Moore | A. M. Morgan | T. A. Morgan |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Nutt |
| O'Neal | Oremus | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pendarvis | Pope |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Rutherford | Sandifer | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Tedder |
| Thayer | Thigpen | Trantham |
| Vaughan | Weeks | West |
| Wetmore | Wheeler | White |
| Whitmire | Williams | Wooten |
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**Total Present--121**

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. Carol Alan of Sumter was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED AND REMOVED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

**“**5.2Every 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. 3197 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | VAUGHAN |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3295 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | ERICKSON and BRADLEY |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3309 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | ERICKSON and BRADLEY |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3340 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | HOWARD, BERNSTEIN and WILLIAMS |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3394 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | BERNSTEIN, WHEELER and BAUER |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3448 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | FORREST, SCHUESSLER and HENEGAN |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3491 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | GUFFEY and SESSIONS |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3591 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | MCCRAVY, CROMER, HIXON and ELLIOTT |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3594 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | POPE and GUEST |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3686 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | RUTHERFORD, WETMORE, BAUER, BRITTAIN, RIVERS, GILLIARD, ANDERSON, J. L. JOHNSON and HENEGAN |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3695 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | ERICKSON and BRADLEY |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3747 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | KIRBY |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3750 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | KIRBY |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3797 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | ERICKSON, BRADLEY, LONG, MCCRAVY, HIXON, TAYLOR, OREMUS and BLACKWELL |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3802 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | RIVERS |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3884 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | FORREST |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3928 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | G. M. SMITH, ERICKSON, BRADLEY, B. NEWTON and TAYLOR |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3930 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | HARTNETT, HERBKERSMAN, DAVIS, GUFFEY, SESSIONS, POPE and ERICKSON |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3948 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | KIRBY, COBB-HUNTER, ROBBINS, BREWER, MURPHY, M. M. SMITH, WILLIAMS, GILLIAM, CHAPMAN and GAGNON |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3951 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | FORREST |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3952 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | ERICKSON, GUEST, MAGNUSON, ROBBINS, BREWER, MURPHY, WOOTEN, CROMER, POPE, HIXON, FORREST, M. M. SMITH, DAVIS and BALLENTINE |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3953 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/21/23 | ROBBINS, BREWER and MURPHY |

**CO-SPONSOR REMOVED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3253 |
| Date: | REMOVE: |
| 02/21/23 | J. MOORE |

**H. 3802--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3802 -- Reps. B. J. Cox and Rivers: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "VETERANS' TRUST FUND" BY AMENDING SECTION 25-21-20, RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS, TERM AND COMPENSATION, AND ANNUAL REPORTS, SO AS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS FROM NINETEEN TO ELEVEN; TO PROVIDE FOR APPOINTMENT OF THOSE MEMBERS BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS; AND TO ESTABLISH A FOUR-YEAR TERM.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3797--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3797 -- Reps. B. J. Cox, G. M. Smith, Beach, W. Newton, Williams, McCravy, Long, Hixon, Taylor, Oremus, Blackwell, Erickson and Bradley: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "MILITARY TEMPORARY REMOTE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 59-63-33 SO AS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS COMPLY WITH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS IF THEIR PARENTS ARE TRANSFERRED TO OR ARE PENDING TRANSFER TO MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN THIS STATE WHILE ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY PURSUANT TO OFFICIAL MILITARY ORDERS, TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLLMENT AND COURSE REGISTRATION FROM SUCH PUPILS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS, TO PROVIDE PARENTS OF SUCH STUDENTS SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN PROOF OF RESIDENCE WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE ARRIVAL DATE, TO PROVIDE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT APPLY NOTWITHSTANDING ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW, TO PROVIDE AMBIGUITIES IN CONSTRUING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT MUST BE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF ENROLLMENT, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMINOLOGY.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3594--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3594 -- Reps. B. J. Cox, G. M. Smith, Lowe, Wooten, Hiott, Bailey, Beach, Burns, Caskey, Crawford, Cromer, Elliott, Forrest, Haddon, Hardee, Hixon, Hyde, Jordan, Ligon, Long, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, T. Moore, B. Newton, Nutt, Oremus, M. M. Smith, S. Jones, Taylor, Thayer, Trantham, Willis, Yow, West, Lawson, Chapman, Chumley, Leber, Mitchell, Pace, Harris, O'Neal, Kilmartin, Murphy, Brewer, Robbins, Hager, Sandifer, Connell, Gilliam, Davis, B. L. Cox, Vaughan, White, Collins, J. E. Johnson, Gagnon, Gibson, W. Newton, Bustos, Herbkersman, Landing, Moss, Pope and Guest: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTIONAL CARRY/SECOND AMENDMENT PRESERVATION ACT OF 2023" BY AMENDING SECTION 10-11-320, RELATING TO CARRYING OR DISCHARGING FIREARMS AND EXCEPTIONS FOR CONCEALABLE WEAPONS PERMIT HOLDERS, SO AS TO DELETE A PROVISION THAT MAKES THIS SECTION INAPPLICABLE TO PERSONS THAT POSSESS CONCEALABLE WEAPONS PERMITS AND TO PROVIDE THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO PERSONS WHO POSSESS FIREARMS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-20, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF HANDGUNS, SO AS TO REVISE THE PLACES WHERE AND CIRCUMSTANCES UPON WHICH HANDGUNS MAY BE CARRIED, AND PERSONS WHO MAY CARRY HANDGUNS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-50, RELATING TO CERTAIN PENALTIES, DISPOSITION OF FINES, AND FORFEITURE AND DISPOSITION OF HANDGUNS, SO AS TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO THE UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF HANDGUNS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-55, RELATING TO PROCEDURES FOR RETURNING FOUND HANDGUNS, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION RELATING TO FILING APPLICATIONS TO OBTAIN FOUND HANDGUNS, AND PROVIDE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT ALLOW LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO MAINTAIN POSSESSION OR DISPOSE OF FOUND HANDGUNS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-420, RELATING TO POSSESSION OF FIREARMS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT EXEMPTS PERSONS WHO POSSESS CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS FROM THIS PROVISION, AND DELETE THE TERM "WEAPON" AND REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "FIREARM"; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-430, RELATING TO CARRYING WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT EXEMPTS PERSONS WHO POSSESS CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS FROM THIS PROVISION; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-465, RELATING TO THE ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR UNLAWFULLY CARRYING PISTOLS OR FIREARMS ONTO PREMISES OF BUSINESSES SELLING ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR, BEER, OR WINE FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THIS PROVISION DOES NOT APPLY TO CERTAIN OFFENSES THAT PROHIBIT PERSONS FROM CARRYING CERTAIN DEADLY WEAPONS, TO PROVIDE THIS PROVISION APPLIES TO PERSONS WHO KNOWINGLY CARRY CERTAIN FIREARMS, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT EXEMPTS PERSONS WHO POSSESS CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, AND TO PROVIDE PERSONS LAWFULLY CARRYING FIREARMS WHO DO NOT CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-215, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISIONS REQUIRING PERMIT HOLDERS TO CARRY PERMITS WHILE CARRYING WEAPONS AND IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS PERMIT HOLDERS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS TO REPORT THE LOSSES OF PERMITS TO SLED, TO REVISE THE PREMISES UPON WHICH PERMIT HOLDERS MUST NOT CARRY WEAPONS, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS, TO REVISE THE PROVISION THAT PROVIDES EXEMPTIONS TO CARRYING PERMITS, AND TO DELETE THE PROVISION RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR CARRYING EXPIRED PERMITS; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-220, RELATING TO THE RIGHT TO ALLOW OR PERMIT CONCEALED WEAPONS UPON PREMISES AND THE POSTING OF SIGNS PROHIBITING THE CARRYING OF WEAPONS, SO AS TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, THAT PERSONS MUST KNOWINGLY VIOLATE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION TO BE CHARGED WITH A VIOLATION, AND TO PROVIDE THIS SECTION DOES NOT LIMIT PERSONS FROM CARRYING CERTAIN WEAPONS IN STATE PARKS; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-232, RELATING TO CARRYING CONCEALABLE WEAPONS ON PREMISES OF CERTAIN SCHOOLS LEASED BY CHURCHES, SO AS TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE CHURCH OFFICIALS OR GOVERNING BODIES MAY ALLOW ANY PERSON TO CARRY A CONCEALABLE WEAPON ON THE LEASED PREMISES; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-235, RELATING TO CONCEALABLE WEAPON SIGN REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE SIGNS MUST BE POSTED AT LOCATIONS WHERE THE CARRYING OF CONCEALABLE WEAPONS ARE PROHIBITED; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-600, RELATING TO RETIRED PERSONNEL, IDENTIFICATION CARDS, AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPONS, SO AS TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE; BY REPEALING SECTIONS 16-23-460, 23-31-225, AND 23-31-230, RELATING TO THE CARRYING OF WEAPONS BY INDIVIDUALS ON THEIR PERSON, INTO RESIDENCES OR DWELLINGS, OR BETWEEN A MOTOR VEHICLE AND A RENTED ACCOMMODATION; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-500, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF FIREARMS BY PERSONS CONVICTED OF VIOLENT OFFENSES, THE CONFISCATION OF CERTAIN WEAPONS, AND THE RETURN OF FIREARMS TO INNOCENT OWNERS, SO AS TO REVISE THE LIST OF CRIMES SUBJECT TO THIS PROVISION AND THE PENALTIES ASSOCIATED WITH VIOLATIONS, AND TO DEFINE THE TERM "CRIME PUNISHABLE BY A MAXIMUM TERM OF IMPRISONMENT OF MORE THAN ONE YEAR".

Reps. HIOTT, FORREST, POPE, FELDER, T. MOORE, NUTT, MCCRAVY, MAGNUSON, HARRIS, B. NEWTON, CARTER, TAYLOR, BEACH, CROMER, HEWITT, ROBBINS, HART, BREWER, MURPHY, MAY, KILMARTIN, WETMORE, J. L. JOHNSON, WHEELER, WEEKS, KING, GUEST and GILLIARD requested debate on the Bill.

**H. 3591--POINT OF ORDER, RULE 5.10 WAIVED PURSUANT TO RULE 5.15, AND REQUESTS FOR DEBATE**

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 3591 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Taylor, B. Newton, West, Pace, Haddon, Yow, W. Newton, Felder, Thayer, McCravy, Cromer, Hixon and Elliott: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO REPEAL SECTION 4, ARTICLE XI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION AGAINST THE STATE OR ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS PROVIDING DIRECT AID TO RELIGIOUS OR OTHER PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. OTT made the Point of Order that the Joint Resolution was 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 second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. HIOTT moved to waive Rule 5.10, pursuant to Rule 5.15.

Rep. HIOTT demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 81; Nays 33

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Bailey | Ballentine | Beach |
| Blackwell | Bradley | Brewer |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Carter | Caskey | Chapman |
| Connell | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Cromer | Davis |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Gatch |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Hardee | Harris | Hartnett |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hyde | J. E. Johnson |
| S. Jones | Kilmartin | Landing |
| Lawson | Leber | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Magnuson |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | T. Moore |
| A. M. Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Nutt | O'Neal | Oremus |
| Pace | Pedalino | Pope |
| Robbins | Sandifer | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Taylor | Thayer | Trantham |
| Vaughan | West | White |
| Whitmire | Wooten | Yow |

**Total--81**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bamberg | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Clyburn | Dillard | Garvin |
| Gilliard | Hart | Hayes |
| Henegan | Hosey | Howard |
| Jefferson | J. L. Johnson | W. Jones |
| King | Kirby | McDaniel |
| J. Moore | Ott | Pendarvis |
| Rivers | Rose | Rutherford |
| Stavrinakis | Tedder | Thigpen |
| Weeks | Wetmore | Wheeler |

**Total--33**

So, Rule 5.10 was waived pursuant to Rule 5.15.

Reps. OTT, HIOTT, POPE, FELDER, LIGON, T. MOORE, MCCRAVY, CRAWFORD, B. L. COX, PACE, MAGNUSON, HARRIS, HIXON, TAYLOR, HENEGAN, BEACH, CROMER, HEWITT, ANDERSON, HOSEY, GILLIARD, PENDARVIS, BAMBERG, W. NEWTON, GARVIN, HART, ROBBINS, MURPHY, BREWER, WHITE, HARTNETT, LEBER, DILLARD and MAY requested debate on the Joint Resolution.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. HART raised the Point of Order that SPEAKER SMITH had failed to recognize Rep. HART earlier when Rep. HART attempted to raise the twenty-four hour Point of Order on H. 3594.

SPEAKER SMITH overruled the Point of Order and stated that Rep. HART raised the Point of Order too late as the House had already addressed H. 3594 and the Bill was no longer in front of the House for consideration.  SPEAKER SMITH explained further that Rep. HART had attempted to raise the twenty-four hour Point of Order on H. 3594 after more than five Members had requested debate on the Bill.   The SPEAKER stated that the Point of Order was raised too late because the Bill had already been moved to the contested calendar and the only appropriate action to be taken on the Bill at that point was further requests for debate or objections.

**H. 3686--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3686 -- Reps. Bernstein, J. L. Johnson, Henegan, Rutherford, Wetmore, Bauer, Brittain, Rivers, Gilliard and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 1-1-1710 SO AS TO PROVIDE A FRAMEWORK IN WHICH ANTI-SEMITISM IS CONSIDERED REGARDING ALL LAWS PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATORY ACTS, AND TO EDUCATE STATE PERSONNEL AND OFFICIALS ON ANTI-SEMITISM.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. PACE made the Point of Order that the Bill was 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 second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3340--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3340 -- Reps. Dillard, Henegan, Hyde, Felder, King, Howard, Bernstein and Williams: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 23-3-330, RELATING TO THE ENDANGERED PERSON NOTIFICATION SYSTEM, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE SYSTEM ALSO SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION REGARDING MISSING PERSONS BELIEVED TO BE SUFFERING FROM A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SUCH AS AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. W. NEWTON made the Point of Order that the Bill was 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 second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR**

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3994 -- Reps. Atkinson, Alexander, Anderson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE PEE DEE ACADEMY SOFTBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A REMARKABLE SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2022 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3995 -- Reps. Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE REVEREND DOCTOR NORMAN GAMBLE OF NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH IN FLORENCE ON THE OCCASION OF HIS THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF GOSPEL MINISTRY AT NEW EBENEZER AND TO EXTEND TO HIM BEST WISHES FOR GOD'S RICHEST BLESSINGS AS HE CONTINUES TO SERVE THE LORD.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3996 -- Reps. Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF CLARA THOMAS WILLIAMS OF FLORENCE, TO CELEBRATE HER LIFE, AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3997 -- Reps. M. M. Smith, B. L. Cox, Pace, Davis, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE STALWART SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS WHO SERVE IN HANAHAN'S SCHOOL SYSTEM IN BERKELEY COUNTY AND TO EXPRESS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THEM AS THEY REMAIN VIGILANT FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3998 -- Rep. Cobb-Hunter: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMBERS OF THE EMPOWERHER CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION IN ORANGEBURG, UPON THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHAPTER, AND TO WELCOME ALL ABWA MEMBERS TO THE STATE HOUSE FOR THE FIRST ANNUAL "AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DAY" AT THE STATE HOUSE ON MARCH 16, 2023.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4004 -- Reps. Williams and Henegan: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO MEMORIALIZE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK TO FINANCE URGENTLY NEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

The Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3999 -- Reps. Forrest, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA POULTRY FESTIVAL, TO BE HELD MAY 11-13, 2023, IN BATESBURG-LEESVILLE AND TO HONOR THOSE PLANNING AND PARTICIPATING IN THE FESTIVAL.

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

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4000 -- Reps. Jefferson, Cobb-Hunter, Gatch, Robbins, Brewer, Tedder and Murphy: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 78 BEGINNING AT MILE POINT 12.79 AND ENDING AT MILE POINT 22.39 IN DORCHESTER COUNTY "LAVEL 'TYLER' NORMAN DAVIS, JR. MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

The Concurrent Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 541 -- Senators Young and Massey: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS ON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO HONOR THEM FOR WINNING THE SOUTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Concurrent Resolution was agreed to and ordered returned to the Senate with concurrence.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following Bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred to appropriate committees:

H. 4001 -- Rep. Bailey: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 17-15-10, RELATING TO RELEASE ON BOND OF PERSONS CHARGED WITH NONCAPITAL OFFENSES SO AS TO REQUIRE DEFENDANTS SUBJECT TO ORDERS OF PROTECTION OR WHO HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH VIOLENT CRIMES TO BE PLACED ON ACTIVE ELECTRONIC MONITORING BY THE COURT, TO PROVIDE PARAMETERS FOR ELECTRONIC MONITORING, TO PROVIDE DEFENDANTS MUST PAY THE COSTS OF ELECTRONIC MONITORING WITH EXCEPTIONS FOR SEVERE HARDSHIPS, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR REMOVING OR TAMPERING WITH ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEVICES; AND TO DIRECT THE OFFICE OF INDIGENT DEFENSE TO CREATE AN ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4002 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, W. Newton, Hiott, Davis, B. Newton, Erickson, Bannister, Haddon, Sandifer and Thayer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 24-3-980 SO AS TO PROVIDE IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR AN INMATE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO POSSESS TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE DIRECTOR, TO DEFINE THE TERM "TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE", AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4003 -- Reps. Herbkersman and Forrest: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 9 TO CHAPTER 5, TITLE 39 BY ENACTING THE "CONSUMER WHEELCHAIR REPAIR BILL OF RIGHTS ACT" TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REQUIRE A POWERED-WHEELCHAIR MANUFACTURER TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INFORMATION AND RESOURCES NECESSARY FOR THE REPAIR OF ITS POWERED WHEELCHAIRS TO AN INDEPENDENT REPAIR PROVIDER OR OWNER OF A POWERED WHEELCHAIR.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

**H. 3802--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3802 -- Reps. B. J. Cox and Rivers: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "VETERANS' TRUST FUND" BY AMENDING SECTION 25-21-20, RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS, TERM AND COMPENSATION, AND ANNUAL REPORTS, SO AS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS FROM NINETEEN TO ELEVEN; TO PROVIDE FOR APPOINTMENT OF THOSE MEMBERS BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS; AND TO ESTABLISH A FOUR-YEAR TERM.

The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3802 (LC-3802.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 25-21-20(A) and inserting:

(A) There is created the Board of Trustees for the Veterans' Trust Fund of South Carolina composed of nineteen eleven voting members. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint the board consisting of seven members from the State at large, two members currently serving as county veterans affairs officers, and two members representing veterans’ service organizations. Of the eleven appointed members, at least six must be United States Armed Forces veterans. Any veteran who serves on the board, must have been honorably discharged from the armed services. The Secretary of the Department of Veterans’ Affairs shall serve as the executive director of the trust fund and an ex officio nonvoting member of the board. The board shall utilize the staff of the Veterans' Affairs Department in order to carry out its duties, as provided in Section 25‑21‑30. One member of the board of trustees must be the Director of the Department of Veterans' Affairs. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint individuals to fill the remaining positions on the board of trustees. Of the eighteen remaining positions filled by gubernatorial appointment, four must be county veterans' affairs officers and five must represent veterans' service organizations. At least eleven of the members of the board of trustees must be United States Armed Forces veterans who were honorably discharged; the remaining members are not required to be veterans; however, if any are veterans, they also must have been honorably discharged from the armed services. The members of the board shall elect officers from among themselves as necessary and shall utilize the staff of the Veterans' Affairs Department in order to carry out its duties, as provided in Section 25‑21‑30.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. DAVIS spoke in favor of the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. B. J. COX proposed the following Amendment No. 2 to H. 3802 (LC-3802.SA0004H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 25-21-20(B) and inserting:

(B) Individuals appointed by the Governor from the State at large shall serve four‑year terms, and the remaining initial appointees shall serve two‑year terms. Upon the expiration of the terms of those members initially appointed, the term of office for the members of the board is four years, and until their successors are appointed and qualify. Members may succeed themselves; however, no member may serve more than two consecutive terms or eight continuous years, whichever is greater. A member shall not serve on the board in a hold‑over capacity at the conclusion of his term for more than 180 days. Vacancies on the board must be filled in the same manner as the initial appointment for the unexpired term. at the pleasure of the Governor and may be removed by the Governor at any time.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. B. J. COX explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Reps. COBB-HUNTER and WILLIAMS proposed the following Amendment No. 3 to H. 3802 (LC-3802.SA0006H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 25-21-20(A) and (B) and inserting:

(A) There is created the Board of Trustees for the Veterans' Trust Fund of South Carolina composed of nineteen eleven voting members. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint the board consisting of one member from each congressional district of the State and four members from the State at large, two of which must reside in a rural county. Of the eleven appointed members, at least six must be United States Armed Forces veterans. Any veteran who serves on the board, must have been honorably discharged from the armed services. The Secretary of the Department of Veterans’ Affairs shall serve as the executive director of the trust fund and an ex officio nonvoting member of the board. The board shall utilize the staff of the Veterans' Affairs Department in order to carry out its duties, as provided in Section 25‑21‑30. One member of the board of trustees must be the Director of the Department of Veterans' Affairs. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint individuals to fill the remaining positions on the board of trustees. Of the eighteen remaining positions filled by gubernatorial appointment, four must be county veterans' affairs officers and five must represent veterans' service organizations. At least eleven of the members of the board of trustees must be United States Armed Forces veterans who were honorably discharged; the remaining members are not required to be veterans; however, if any are veterans, they also must have been honorably discharged from the armed services. The members of the board shall elect officers from among themselves as necessary and shall utilize the staff of the Veterans' Affairs Department in order to carry out its duties, as provided in Section 25‑21‑30.

(B) Individuals appointed by the Governor from each of the congressional districts shall serve four‑year terms, and the remaining initial appointees shall serve two‑year terms. Upon the expiration of the terms of those members initially appointed, the term of office for the members of the board is four years, and until their successors are appointed and qualify. Members may succeed themselves; however, no member may serve more than two consecutive terms or eight continuous years, whichever is greater. A member shall not serve on the board in a hold‑over capacity at the conclusion of his term for more than 180 days. Vacancies on the board must be filled in the same manner as the initial appointment for the unexpired term. at the pleasure of the Governor and may be removed by the Governor at any time.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. COBB-HUNTER explained the amendment.

Rep. B. J. COX spoke in favor of the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 118; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Bailey | Ballentine |
| Bamberg | Bannister | Bauer |
| Beach | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Carter | Caskey | Chapman |
| Chumley | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | Connell | B. J. Cox |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Cromer |
| Davis | Dillard | Elliott |
| Erickson | Felder | Forrest |
| Gagnon | Garvin | Gatch |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Hardee | Harris |
| Hart | Hartnett | Hayes |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hosey |
| Howard | Hyde | Jefferson |
| J. E. Johnson | S. Jones | W. Jones |
| Kilmartin | King | Kirby |
| Landing | Lawson | Leber |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Magnuson | May | McCabe |
| McCravy | McDaniel | McGinnis |
| Mitchell | J. Moore | T. Moore |
| A. M. Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Nutt | O'Neal | Oremus |
| Ott | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pendarvis | Pope | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Rutherford |
| Sandifer | Schuessler | Sessions |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Tedder | Thayer |
| Thigpen | Trantham | Vaughan |
| Weeks | West | Wetmore |
| Wheeler | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--118**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3797--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3797 -- Reps. B. J. Cox, G. M. Smith, Beach, W. Newton, Williams, McCravy, Long, Hixon, Taylor, Oremus, Blackwell, Erickson and Bradley: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "MILITARY TEMPORARY REMOTE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 59-63-33 SO AS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS COMPLY WITH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS IF THEIR PARENTS ARE TRANSFERRED TO OR ARE PENDING TRANSFER TO MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN THIS STATE WHILE ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY PURSUANT TO OFFICIAL MILITARY ORDERS, TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLLMENT AND COURSE REGISTRATION FROM SUCH PUPILS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS, TO PROVIDE PARENTS OF SUCH STUDENTS SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN PROOF OF RESIDENCE WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE ARRIVAL DATE, TO PROVIDE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT APPLY NOTWITHSTANDING ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW, TO PROVIDE AMBIGUITIES IN CONSTRUING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT MUST BE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF ENROLLMENT, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMINOLOGY.

Rep. B. J. COX explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 120; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Anderson | Atkinson |
| Bailey | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bauer | Beach |
| Bernstein | Blackwell | Bradley |
| Brewer | Brittain | Burns |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Carter |
| Caskey | Chapman | Chumley |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| Connell | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Cromer | Davis |
| Dillard | Elliott | Erickson |
| Felder | Forrest | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gatch | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Hardee | Harris | Hart |
| Hartnett | Hayes | Henegan |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Hyde | Jefferson | J. E. Johnson |
| S. Jones | W. Jones | Kilmartin |
| King | Kirby | Landing |
| Lawson | Leber | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Magnuson |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| J. Moore | T. Moore | A. M. Morgan |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Nutt |
| O'Neal | Oremus | Ott |
| Pace | Pedalino | Pendarvis |
| Pope | Rivers | Robbins |
| Rose | Rutherford | Sandifer |
| Schuessler | Sessions | G. M. Smith |
| M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Tedder | Thayer | Thigpen |
| Trantham | Vaughan | Weeks |
| West | Wetmore | Wheeler |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Wooten | Yow |

**Total--120**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:11 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. MITCHELL, adjourned in memory of David Allen, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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