Amendment: 3

Representative COBB-HUNTER proposes the following amendment:

SECTION 13 – THE CITADEL

New

- 13.ccc. (CIT: Cyber Coordination Center) Of the funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 2024-25, there is established at the Citadel the South Carolina Cyber Coordination Center for the purpose of positioning South Carolina as a national leader in cyber readiness through education, research, and community engagement. The center shall:
- (1) work with local agencies to assess the vulnerability of critical infrastructure in South Carolina to cyber threats and develop and implement a plan to identify gaps in the State's ability to respond;
- (2) develop and implement a plan to provide a skilled cyber workforce to the military and civilian arms of federal, state, and local governments and to industry through education and training programs in collaboration with partners in K-12, technical colleges, and four-year colleges and universities;
- (3) in coordination with the Commission on Higher Education and existing higher education cybersecurity programs, develop and implement a plan to include timelines and metrics to attract a pipeline of future cyber workforce;
- (4) promote cybersecurity awareness and good cyber citizenship by organizing workshops, summer camps, cyber table-top exercises, cyber competitions, and conferences;
- (5) develop and implement a plan to provide cyber threat hunting services to the state and local agencies and to local, small—and mid—size industries through a Cybersecurity Situation Center; and
- (6) submit a report to the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee by June 30, 2025.