

REPORT OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

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HOUSE BILL 3547

H. 3547 -- Rep. W. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY REPEALING CHAPTER 9 OF TITLE 51 RELATING TO THE FORT WATSON MEMORIAL; AND BY REPEALING SECTIONS 53-3-90 AND 53-3-100 BOTH RELATING TO "FAMILY WEEK IN SOUTH CAROLINA".

Received by Ways and Means:

January 12, 2021

Summary of Bill:

Implements recommendations from the House Legislative Oversight Committee's 2018 study of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism.

Seeks to modernize statutes relating to PRT's involvement with the Fort Watson Revolutionary War Memorial, which is on the shores of Lake Marion and is surrounded by the Santee National Wildlife Refuge. This was an old directive to instruct the agency to acquire the land and maintain it, but a number of years ago the property was deeded to the State Public Service Authority, which has managed the memorial for more than a decade.

SC Family Week and SC Family of the Year designations have not been observed in more than two decades. The agency views all 52 weeks as family weeks for South Carolina. No current agency personnel are aware of how it started or why it stopped.

Estimated Revenue Impact:

Pending

Other Notes/Comments:

Subcommittee reported out favorably on 3/16/2021.

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STATUS INFORMATION

General Bill

Sponsors: Rep. W. Newton

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Introduced in the House on January 12, 2021

Currently residing in the House Committee on **Ways and Means**

Summary: Fort Watson Memorial

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Body</u>	<u>Action Description with journal page number</u>
12/16/2020	House	Prefiled
12/16/2020	House	Referred to Committee on Ways and Means
1/12/2021	House	Introduced and read first time (<u>House Journal-page 234</u>)
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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1.A. Chapter 9, Title 51 of the 1976 Code is repealed.

B. Sections 53-3-90 and 53-3-100 of the 1976 Code are repealed.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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