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SECTION 78 - R20-DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

- **78.2 AMEND** (Reimbursement Carry Forward) Allows the department to retain revenue generated from providing various services or information and to carry forward the funds. Authorize the department to pay the SC Senate and House annual membership dues, up to \$10,000, for the National Council of Insurance Legislators from these funds.
 - **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** AMEND proviso to delete the authorization for the department to pay the National Council of Insurance Legislators annual membership dues. *Membership in this organization is not essential to the department's operations.* Requested by Department of Insurance.
 - **78.2.** (INS: Reimbursement Carry Forward) Reimbursements received for Data Processing Services, Revenue, Miscellaneous Revenue and Sale of Listings and Labels shall be retained for use by the department. These funds may be carried forward in the current fiscal year. The Department of Insurance is authorized to pay the annual dues, not to exceed \$10,000 for the South Carolina Senate and the South Carolina House of Representatives for membership in the National Council of Insurance Legislators from funds collected under this proviso.

SECTION 80 - R28-DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

- **AMEND** (Retention of Fees) Authorizes the department to retain all fees collected pursuant to specific sections of the code pertaining to the Motor Club Services Act; Pawnbrokers, and the Physical Fitness Act and to use these funds to implement mandated program requirements. **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** AMEND proviso to update fiscal year reference to "2014-15."
 - **80.5.** (CA: Retention of Fees) For Fiscal Year 2013-14 2014-15, the department may retain all fees collected pursuant to Sections 39-61-80, 39-61-120, 40-39-120, and 44-79-80 of the 1976 Code. The funds retained shall be utilized to implement the requirements of the programs mandated by those sections of the code.

SECTION 83 - R60-DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE

- **DELETE** (WIA Prior Year Payments) Allows the department to pay prior-year Workforce Investment Act obligations with current year funds.
 - **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** DELETE proviso. *Duplicative of authority given by 83.3 to pay federal and earmarked prior year obligations with current year funds.*
 - **83.4.** (DEW: WIA Prior Year Payments) The Department of Employment and Workforce shall be allowed to pay Workforce Investment Act prior year obligations with current year funds.
- **83.7 AMEND** (Negotiation of Interest)) Requires DEW to develop and implement a plan by October 1, 2013 to seek a waiver of interest on the FUA Loan debt so that the impact of the interest payments is mitigated on SC employers.
 - **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** AMEND proviso to update calendar year to "2014."

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83.7. (DEW: Negotiation of Interest) By October 1, <u>2013</u> <u>2014</u>, the Department of Employment and Workforce must develop and implement a plan to seek a waiver of interest on the state's FUA loan debt in order to mitigate the impact of the interest payments on South Carolina employers.

SECTION 84 - U12-DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DELETE (Hanahan Permit Negotiation) Directs the department to initiate negotiations with various entities regarding the purpose and need to secure the required permit to complete the Railroad Avenue Extension project in the City of Hanahan. Requires DOT provide a report by June 30, 2014, to various governmental entities and to CHATS that details the project history, negotiation status, and completion plan.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: DELETE proviso.

84.9. (DOT: Hanahan Permit Negotiation) With the funds authorized for the Department of Transportation, the department shall initiate negotiations between the City of Hanahan, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, CSX Railroad, and other applicable entities to demonstrate the valid purpose and need for the necessary permit required to complete the Railroad Avenue Extension project in the City of Hanahan. The department shall provide a report to the members of the Berkeley County Delegation and the Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester Council of Governments and CHATS detailing the history of the project, status of the negotiations, and a plan for completion. The report shall be completed by June 30, 2014.

SECTION 117 - X90-GENERAL PROVISIONS

117.77 AMEND (Printed Report Requirements) Directs that for Fiscal Year 2013-14 certain state agencies and higher education institutions shall not be required to submit printed reports and shall only submit the reports electronically. Waive the submission of certain reports.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND proviso to update fiscal year references to "2014-15."

117.77. (GP: Printed Report Requirements) (A) For Fiscal Year 2013-14 2014-15, state supported institutions of higher learning shall not be required to submit printed reports mandated by Sections 2-47-40, 2-47-50, and 59-103-110 of the 1976 Code, and shall instead only submit the documents electronically.

Submission of the plans or reports required by Sections 59-101-350, 59-103-30, 59-103-45(4), and 59-103-160(D) shall be waived for the current fiscal year, except institutions of higher learning must continue to report student pass rates on professional examinations, and data elements otherwise required for the Commission on Higher Education Management Information System. The commission, in consultation with institutions, shall take further action to reduce data reporting burdens as possible.

- (B) For Fiscal Year 2013-14 2014-15, the Department of Agriculture shall not be required to submit printed reports mandated by Section 46-49-10 of the 1976 Code. The department shall provide these reports electronically and shall use any monetary savings for K5-12 agricultural education programs.
- (C) For Fiscal Year 2013-14 2014-15, the Department of Health and Human Services shall not be required to provide printed copies of the Medicaid Annual Report required pursuant to Section 44-6-80 of the 1976 Code and the Provider Reimbursement Rate Report required pursuant to Proviso 33.11, and shall instead only submit the documents electronically.

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(D) For Fiscal Year 2013-14 2014-15, the Department of Transportation shall not be required to submit printed reports or publications mandated by Sections 1-11-58, 2-47-55, and 58-17-1450 of the 1976 Code.

The Department of Transportation may combine their Annual Report and Mass Transit Report into their Annual Accountability Report.

117.98 AMEND (WIA Service Advertising) Establishes Workforce Investment Act advertising guidelines.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND proviso to update fiscal year reference to "2014-15."

- 117.98. (GP: WIA Service Advertising) For Fiscal Year 2013-14 2014-15, the Workforce Investment Boards may promote outreach for their services via billboard, bus placard, newspapers, or radio in all workforce investment areas. This outreach may not be limited to e-mail, online, or other internet-based outreach, publicity, or other promotions. Workforce investment boards must adhere to all state procurement policies and procedures when utilizing outreach for the services provided by the Workforce Investment Act.
- 117.99 AMEND (WIA Training Marketability Evaluation) Directs the department to submit a report to the chairmen of various legislative committees on how funds were spent to provide marketable work skills training. Requires the report also specifically describe any restructuring or realignment of agency functions as well as changes in staffing levels or service. Requires detailed information be included on employees terminated, hired, re-hired, reassigned, or reclassified by program area and location and to describe efforts the agency made to reassign or retrain employees who were terminated if the agency hired new employees for that position.

 SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: AMEND proviso to update fiscal year reference to "2014-15."
 - 117.99. (GP: WIA Training Marketability Evaluation) (A) For Fiscal Year 2013-14 2014-15, the Department of Employment and Workforce shall submit a report that demonstrates how funds were expended in the prior fiscal year to provide marketable work skills training. The report shall include, but not be limited to the total number of local training recipients, a description of the training area in which each recipient participated, and the number and percentage of participants in each training area that, upon completion of training, have become employed in the field in which they were trained. The report shall be submitted to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee, the Chairman of the House Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee on or before November 16th.
 - (B) Also, the report must specifically describe any restructuring or realignment of agency functions, and any changes in staffing levels or service. The report must detail information on employees terminated, hired, re-hired, reassigned, or reclassified by program area and location. Further, the report must describe efforts made by the agency to reassign or retrain employees who were terminated for positions for which the department hired new employees.

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