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## HIGHER EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 VIRTUAL/HYBRID TEAMS MEETING 1 HOUR UPON ADJOURNMENT BLATT ROOM 321

- Due to social distancing because of the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the public are strongly encouraged to follow the meeting via the following link: [www.scstatehouse.gov/video/schedule.php](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/video/schedule.php)
- Written testimony is also encouraged and may be submitted to [LilHayes@schouse.gov](mailto:LilHayes@schouse.gov). Material submitted will be provided to the subcommittee members.
- Testimony will be conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams. If you wish to testify, requests must be sent prior to the meeting to [LilHayes@schouse.gov](mailto:LilHayes@schouse.gov). Requests must be received no later than noon, Monday, March 8, 2021. Please provide Lil Hayes with the specific Bill Numbers of the legislation you wish to address. This will help ensure that you will be called upon to speak. Once invited to testify, please follow the meeting via the State House website listed above.

**H. 3338 -- Reps. G.R. Smith, Taylor, Haddon and Pope:** A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "REINFORCING COLLEGE EDUCATION ON AMERICA'S CONSTITUTIONAL HERITAGE ACT" OR THE "REACH ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120, RELATING TO

INSTRUCTION IN AMERICAN FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND IDEALS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION, SO AS TO LIMIT APPLICATION OF THE STATUTE TO PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS, TO ADD THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 TO THE TOPICS OF INSTRUCTION, AND TO REMOVE A LOYALTY DEMONSTRATION REQUIREMENT; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-130, RELATING TO THE REQUIRED STUDY IN AMERICAN FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND IDEALS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION, SO AS TO LIMIT APPLICATION OF THIS REQUIREMENT TO CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, TO ADD THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF 1964 TO THE TOPICS OF INSTRUCTION, AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION; TO REPEAL SECTION 59-29-140 RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT TO CERTAIN STUDENT POPULATIONS.

**S. 38 -- Senators Grooms, Rice, Hembree, Verdin, Kimbrell, Corbin, Loftis, Campsen, Bennett and Young:** A BILL TO ENACT THE "REINFORCING COLLEGE EDUCATION ON AMERICA'S CONSTITUTIONAL HERITAGE ACT" OR THE "REACH ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120(A), RELATING TO THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION REQUISITE FOR GRADUATION, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, AND THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE TO EACH STUDENT FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-130, RELATING TO THE DURATION OF INSTRUCTION IN THE ESSENTIALS OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, AND THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE TO EACH UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT FOR THREE SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 59-29-140, RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

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**Cc: Rep. G. R. Smith, Sen. Grooms**

**The presentation order as indicated above does not necessarily reflect the order in which these bills will be addressed. Other bills may be added if necessary.**

