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HIGHER EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024 30 MINUTES AFTER ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ROOM 110 BLATT BUILDING

I. Call to Order

Tim McGinnis, Chair

II. Invocation

The Subcommittee will consider the following bills:

H. 4289 – Reps. McGinnis, Erickson, Ballentine, Murphy, Brewer, Robbins, Gatch, Mitchell and Yow: BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-101-680 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING MAY NOT CONDITION OR PROMISE ADMISSIONS OR BENEFITS TO CERTAIN APPLICANTS FOR CERTAIN SUPPORT OR DISAGREEMENTS WITH CERTAIN STATEMENTS REGARDING DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, OR ASSOCIATED ISSUES.

H. 4290 – Reps. Magnuson, A.M. Morgan, T.A. Morgan, Pace, May, Kilmartin, Landing, Bustos, Harris, Guffey, Lawson, Oremus, Chumley, Beach, White, Thayer, Chapman, Burns, Haddon, O'Neal, Ligon, Cromer, S. Jones, Trantham, McCabe and Willis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-101-60 SO AS TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS, TO PROVIDE EACH PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING ANNUALLY SHALL REPORT

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND NONTEACHING POSITIONS THAT SUPPORT OR ARE ASSOCIATED WITH DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION INITIATIVES AT THE INSTITUTION; TO PROHIBIT THESE INSTITUTIONS FROM GRANTING PREFERENCE TO APPLICANTS FOR ADMISSION, EMPLOYMENT, OR PROMOTION ON THE BASIS OF RACE, SEX, COLOR, ETHNICITY, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN, SUBJECT TO AN EXCEPTION; TO PROHIBIT THESE INSTITUTIONS FROM MAKING DIVERSITY TRAINING MANDATORY; TO PROHIBIT THESE INSTITUTIONS FROM MAKING OR SOLICITING DIVERSITY STATEMENTS AS PART OF THEIR ADMISSIONS OR EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION PROCESSES, AMONG OTHER THINGS; AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE PROVISIONS DO NOT PROHIBIT CERTAIN PROGRAMS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH SPECIFIC FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.

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Cc: Reps. Ballentine, Beach, Brewer, Burns, Bustos, Chapman, Chumley, Cromer, Erickson, Gatch, Haddon, Harris, Guffey, S. Jones, Kilmartin, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McGinnis, Mitchell, A.M. Morgan, T.A. Morgan, Murphy, O'Neal, Oremus, Pace, Robbins, Thayer, Trantham, White, Willis and Yow.

Additional legislation may be added to the agenda. Other entities/organizations may offer testimony to the subcommittee. Written testimony is encouraged and may be submitted to <u>laurennelsonsheorn@schouse.gov</u>. Materials submitted will be provided to the Subcommittee members. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend.