

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

### **S 0416 General Bill, By Hembree and Alexander**

#### **Summary:** School Expulsion

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-63-210, RELATING TO GROUNDS FOR WHICH TRUSTEES MAY EXPEL, SUSPEND, OR TRANSFER PUPILS; PETITIONS FOR READMISSION; AND EXPULSION, SUSPENSION, OR TRANSFER, SO AS TO PROHIBIT EXPELLED STUDENTS FROM ENTERING SCHOOL OR SCHOOL GROUNDS INCLUDING ATTENDING DAY OR NIGHT SCHOOL FUNCTIONS OR RIDING A SCHOOL BUS, TO FURTHER PROHIBIT SUSPENDED STUDENTS FROM ENTERING THE SCHOOL OR SCHOOL GROUNDS EXCEPT FOR ATTENDING DAY OR NIGHT SCHOOL FUNCTIONS OR RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-63-235, RELATING TO THE EXPULSION OF A STUDENT DETERMINED TO HAVE BROUGHT A FIREARM TO SCHOOL, SO AS TO REQUIRE A STUDENT TO BE EXPELLED FOR NO LESS THAN ONE ACADEMIC YEAR FOR KNOWINGLY BRINGING A FIREARM TO A SCHOOL, TO ESTABLISH THE EXPULSION HEARING BE CONDUCTED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND TO ALLOW AN EXPELLED STUDENT TO RECEIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN ALTERNATIVE SETTINGS TO INCLUDE VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 59-63-250, RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF PUPILS, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT A BOARD MAY TRANSFER A PUPIL WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REQUIRE NOTIFICATION AND INPUT FROM THE PRINCIPAL AT THE RECEIVING SCHOOL.

- 03/04/25 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 10)**
- 03/04/25 Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 10)**
- 04/10/25 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education (Senate Journal-page 15)**
- 04/16/25 Senate Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 34)**
- 04/24/25 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal-page 19)**
- 04/24/25 Senate Roll call Ayes-39 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 19)**
- 04/29/25 Senate Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 21)**
- 04/30/25 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 108)**
- 04/30/25 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 108)**
- 04/22/26 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 3)**
  
- 04/28/26 House Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 17)**
- 04/29/26 House Amended (House Journal-page 181)**
- 04/29/26 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). Bauer, Wetmore, Stavrinakis, Garvin, Cobb-Hunter, Alexander, Kirby, J Moore, Anderson, Grant, Govan, Williams, Clyburn, Hosey, Henderson-Myers, Gilliard, Bamberg, Gilreath (House Journal-page 181)**