

## Session 121 - (2015-2016)

### **S\*0233 (Rat #0213, Act #0198 of 2016) General Bill, By Campsen, Hembree and Grooms**

**Summary:** Prayer or invocation

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 6-1-160, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO INVOCATIONS TO OPEN MEETINGS OF DELIBERATIVE BODIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC PRAYER MEANS A PRAYER OR INVOCATION; TO PROVIDE THAT DELIBERATIVE PUBLIC BODY INCLUDES A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD; TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC INVOCATIONS MAY NOT PROSELYTIZE OR ADVANCE ANY ONE FAITH OR BELIEF, OR COERCE PARTICIPATION BY OBSERVERS; AND TO BROADEN THE ITEMS THAT MAY BE INCLUDED IN A POLICY TO PERMIT PUBLIC INVOCATIONS ADOPTED BY THE PUBLIC BODY. - ratified title

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| 12/10/14 | Senate | Prefiled   |
| 12/10/14 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Judiciary   |
| 01/13/15 | Senate | Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 145)                       |
| 01/13/15 | Senate | Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 145)                   |
| 02/05/16 | Senate | Referred to Subcommittee: Campsen (ch), Hembree, McElveen                      |
| 02/22/16 |        | Scrivener's error corrected  |
| 03/23/16 | Senate | Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 7)   |
| 03/24/16 |        | Scrivener's error corrected  |
| 04/05/16 | Senate | Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 30)                           |
| 04/05/16 | Senate | Read second time (Senate Journal-page 30)                                      |
| 04/05/16 | Senate | Roll call Ayes-39 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 30)                              |
| 04/06/16 |        | Scrivener's error corrected  |
| 04/06/16 | Senate | Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 12)                     |
| 04/12/16 | House  | Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 10)                         |
| 04/12/16 | House  | Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 10)    |
| 04/20/16 | House  | Recalled from Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 343) |
| 04/20/16 | House  | Committed to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 343)                   |
| 05/24/16 | House  | Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 8)                   |
| 05/31/16 | House  | Read second time (House Journal-page 11)                                       |
| 05/31/16 | House  | Roll call Yeas-107 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 12)                              |
| 06/01/16 | House  | Read third time and enrolled (House Journal-page 6)                            |
| 06/02/16 |        | Ratified R 213   |
| 06/03/16 |        | Signed By Governor   |
| 06/09/16 |        | Effective date 06/03/16  |
| 06/09/16 |        | Act No. 198  |