

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H*3387 General Bill, By G.M. Smith, W. Newton, B. Newton, Robbins, C. Mitchell, Pope, Chapman, McCravy, Chumley, Taylor, Forrest, Long, Ligon, Guest, Crawford, Edgerton, M.M. Smith, B.L. Cox, Holman, Davis, Brewer, Murphy, Calhoon, Erickson, Bradley, Williams, Hixon, Burns, Hewitt, Gilreath, Cromer, Oremus and Hartz

Summary: Unlawful occupants of property

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 37, TITLE 27 SO AS TO ENTITLE THE ARTICLE "EJECTMENT OF UNLAWFUL OCCUPANTS OF A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING," TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATIVE REMEDY TO REMOVE PERSONS UNLAWFULLY OCCUPYING A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING; TO REDESIGNATE CHAPTER 37, TITLE 27 AS "EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS"; TO REDESIGNATE THE EXISTING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 37, TITLE 27 AS ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 37, TITLE 27 AND ENTITLE IT "EJECTMENT OF TENANTS"; AND BY ADDING SECTION 16-11-521 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE OFFENSE OF CRIMINAL MISCHIEF.

12/05/24	House	Prefiled
12/05/24	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/14/25	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 186)
01/14/25	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 186)
02/13/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Ligon
02/26/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Guest, Crawford
03/05/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Edgerton, M.M.Smith, B.L.Cox
05/06/26	Senate	Amended
03/05/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Holman, Davis, Brewer, Murphy
03/11/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Calhoon
03/20/25	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)
03/25/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Erickson, Bradley
03/25/25		Scrivener's error corrected
03/26/25	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). B Newton, BL Cox, Martin, Caskey, Lowe, Guest, Kirby, Collins, Weeks (House Journal-page 18)
03/26/25	House	Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 46)
03/27/25	House	Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 34)
04/01/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Williams, Hixon
04/02/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Burns
04/03/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hewitt, Gilreath, Cromer, Oremus, Hartz
04/03/25	House	Amended (House Journal-page 49)
04/03/25	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 49)
04/03/25	House	Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 55)
04/03/25	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 57)
04/04/25	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 1)
04/04/25		Scrivener's error corrected
04/09/25	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 1)
04/09/25	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 1)
04/29/26	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 15)
05/05/26	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 32)
05/05/26	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 32)
05/05/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 32)
05/06/26		Scrivener's error corrected
05/06/26	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments
05/06/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-42 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 76)
05/12/26	House	Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 105)
05/13/26	House	Senate amendment amended (House Journal-page 148)
05/13/26	House	Returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 148)
05/13/26	House	Roll call Yeas-114 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 158)
05/13/26	Senate	Non-concurrence in House amendment (Senate Journal-page 36)

05/14/26	House	House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. T Moore, McCabe, Spann-Wilder (House Journal-page 79)
05/14/26	Senate	Conference committee appointed Johnson, Elliott, Devine (Senate Journal-page 42)
06/25/26	House	Conference report received and adopted
06/25/26	House	Roll call Yeas-103 Nays-0
06/25/26	Senate	Conference report received and adopted (Senate Journal-page 116)
06/25/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 116)
06/25/26	Senate	Ordered enrolled for ratification (Senate Journal-page 127)