

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

**H 3582 General Bill, By Taylor, Pope, Pedalino, Hewitt and Ligon**

***Similar (S 0172)***

**Summary:** Forming Open and Robust Minds (FORUM) Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "FORMING OPEN AND ROBUST UNIVERSITY MINDS (FORUM) ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 148 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO PROVIDE MEASURES TO PROTECT EXPRESSIONS BY STUDENTS AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS IN CERTAIN PLACES ON THE CAMPUSES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THIS STATE, TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, AND TO PROVIDE MEANS OF REDRESS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

**12/12/24 House Prefiled**

**12/12/24 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works**

**01/14/25 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 255)**

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**01/15/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hewitt**

**02/19/25 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Ligon**