

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H*3863 (Rat #0185, Act #0142 of 2026) General Bill, By Davis, M.M. Smith, Rivers, Henderson-Myers, Waters and Pope

Summary: South Carolina STEM Opportunity Act

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA STEM OPPORTUNITY ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 17 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 13 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) COALITION, THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) EDUCATION FUND, AND THE SC STEM COALITION ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND TO PROVIDE THEIR RESPECTIVE PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

- RATIFIED TITLE

01/30/25	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 45)
01/30/25	House	Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 45)
03/25/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: M.M.Smith
04/01/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Rivers
04/02/25	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 3)
04/03/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Henderson-Myers
04/08/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Waters, Pope
04/08/25	House	Amended (House Journal-page 18)
04/08/25	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 18)
04/08/25	House	Roll call Yeas-103 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 19)
04/09/25	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 20)
04/09/25	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 5)
04/09/25	Senate	Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry (Senate Journal-page 5)
04/09/25		Scrivener's error corrected
05/05/26	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry (Senate Journal-page 11)
05/06/26	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 114)
05/06/26	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 114)
05/06/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 114)
05/07/26	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 28)
05/12/26	House	Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 108)
05/13/26	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 159)
05/13/26	House	Roll call Yeas-115 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 159)
05/14/26		Ratified R 185
05/15/26		Signed By Governor
05/26/26		Effective date 05/15/26
05/26/26		Act No. 142