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H*4160 (Rat #0076, Act #0050 of 2025) General Bill, By W. Newton, G.M. Smith, Jordan, Caskey, Bannister, Pope, Mitchell and Yow

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 14-5-610, RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF THE STATE INTO SIXTEEN JUDICIAL CIRCUITS, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES TO BE ELECTED FROM EACH CIRCUIT, AND THE ELECTION OF AT-LARGE JUDGES WITHOUT REGARD TO COUNTY OR CIRCUIT OF RESIDENCE, SO AS TO CONVERT NINE AT-LARGE CIRCUIT COURT SEATS TO RESIDENT SEATS IN THE THIRD, THIRTEENTH, TWELFTH, FIFTH, NINTH, ELEVENTH, AND SEVENTH CIRCUITS. - RATIFIED TITLE

03/06/25	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 7)
03/06/25	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)
03/27/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Pope
04/02/25	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)
04/08/25	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Mitchell, Yow
04/08/25	House	Amended (House Journal-page 32)
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04/08/25	House	Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 37)
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04/09/25	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 6)
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05/01/25	Senate	Roll call Ayes-24 Nays-14
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