

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

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

<b>03/06/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 7)</b>
<b>03/06/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)</b>
<b>03/27/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Pope</b>
<b>04/02/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 7)</b>
<b>04/08/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: C.Mitchell, Yow</b>
<b>04/08/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended (House Journal-page 32)</b>
<b>04/08/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read second time (House Journal-page 32)</b>
<b>04/08/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 37)</b>
<b>04/09/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 22)</b>
<b>04/09/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 6)</b>
<b>04/09/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 6)</b>
<b>04/29/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 18)</b>
<b>05/01/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read second time</b>
<b>05/01/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Roll call Ayes-24 Nays-14</b>
<b>05/06/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Read third time and enrolled (Senate Journal-page 42)</b>
<b>05/06/25</b>	<b>Senate</b>	<b>Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 42)</b>
<b>05/08/25</b>		<b>Ratified R 76</b>
<b>05/12/25</b>		<b>Signed By Governor</b>
<b>05/19/25</b>		<b>Effective date 05/12/25</b>
<b>05/19/25</b>		<b>Act No. 50</b>