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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

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: C.Mitchell, Yow**
04/08/25	**House**	**Amended (House Journal-page 32)**
04/08/25	**House**	**Read second time (House Journal-page 32)**
04/08/25	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 37)**
04/09/25	**House**	**Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 22)**
04/09/25	**Senate**	**Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 6)**
04/09/25	**Senate**	**Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 6)**
04/29/25	**Senate**	**Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 18)**
05/01/25	**Senate**	**Read second time**
05/01/25	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-24 Nays-14**
05/06/25	**Senate**	**Read third time and enrolled (Senate Journal-page 42)**
05/06/25	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-45 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 42)**
05/08/25		**Ratified R 76**
05/12/25		**Signed By Governor**
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