

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 5018 General Bill, By G.M. Smith

Summary: Agency Head Salary Commission, Governor and Lt. Governor

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 1-1-1210, RELATING TO ANNUAL SALARIES OF CERTAIN STATE OFFICERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SALARIES OF THE GOVERNOR AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR MUST BE BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE AGENCY HEAD SALARY COMMISSION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; BY AMENDING SECTION 8-11-160, RELATING TO THE AGENCY HEAD SALARY COMMISSION AND SALARY INCREASES FOR AGENCY HEADS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SALARIES OF THE GOVERNOR AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR MUST BE BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE AGENCY HEAD SALARY COMMISSION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION TO AUTHORIZE A STUDY EVERY FOUR YEARS TO RECOMMEND SALARY RANGES FOR THE GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 8-11-165, RELATING TO THE AGENCY HEAD SALARY COMMISSION AND ITS DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

01/27/26	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 3)
01/27/26	House	Referred to Committee on Ways and Means (House Journal-page 3)
04/02/26	House	Committee report: Favorable Ways and Means (House Journal-page 9)
04/15/26	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). Pace, Frank, Edgerton, Gilreath, Cromer, Morgan, White, McCravy (House Journal-page 24)
04/23/26	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 161)
04/23/26	House	Roll call Yeas-97 Nays-10 (House Journal-page 161)
04/23/26	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 163)
04/24/26	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 3)
04/28/26	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 10)
04/28/26	Senate	Referred to Committee on Finance (Senate Journal-page 10)
05/12/26	Senate	Recalled from Committee on Finance (Senate Journal-page 4)