

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 5059 General Bill, By C. Mitchell, B. Newton, Sessions, Pope, Martin, Yow and Wetmore

Summary: Catawba Nation Police Department

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 53 TO TITLE 23 SO AS TO RECOGNIZE THE CATAWBA NATION POLICE DEPARTMENT AS AN OFFICIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN THIS STATE, TO AFFIRM CURRENT POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT, TO PROVIDE QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

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04/14/26 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Wetmore