

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 5111 General Bill, By Forrest, Lastinger, Hartz, Gibson, McCravy, Reese and Duncan

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 5-31-60 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE PROPERTY OWNERS TO DRILL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN PRIVATE WATER WELLS ON AGRICULTURAL OR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY; TO PROHIBIT COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES FROM MANDATING CONNECTION TO MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEMS ABSENT A DOCUMENTED PUBLIC HEALTH THREAT; TO ESTABLISH PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE; TO PREEMPT CONFLICTING LOCAL ORDINANCES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES.

- 02/05/26 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 15)**
- 02/05/26 House Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (House Journal-page 15)**
- 03/25/26 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Lastinger**
- 04/01/26 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hartz**
- 04/02/26 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (House Journal-page 7)**
- 04/14/26 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Gibson, McCravy, Reese**
- 04/14/26 House Amended**
- 04/14/26 House Read second time**
- 04/14/26 House Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-0**
- 04/14/26 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Duncan**