Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H 5201 General Bill, By Pedalino, Teeple, Erickson and Govan

Summary: Safe Schools Act of 2026

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SAFE SCHOOLS ACT OF 2026" BY ADDING ARTICLE 6 TO CHAPTER 63, TITLE 59, SO AS TO ESTABLISH A MULTIJURISDICTIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY TASK FORCE, TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DEVELOP MULTIHAZARD EMERGENCY OPERATION PLANS, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTIFIED SCHOOL SAFETY ASSESSMENTS AND REQUIRED LIVE DRILLS, AND TO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BY SLED, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

02/18/26	**House**	**Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 48)**
02/18/26	**House**	**Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 48)**
04/15/26	**House**	**Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Teeple**
04/16/26	**House**	**Committee report: Favorable Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 2)**
04/20/26		**Scrivener's error corrected**
04/21/26	**House**	**Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Erickson**
04/23/26	**House**	**Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Govan**
04/23/26	**House**	**Read second time (House Journal-page 17)**
04/23/26	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-99 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 17)**
04/23/26	**House**	**Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 18)**
04/24/26	**House**	**Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 1)**
04/28/26	**Senate**	**Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 11)**
04/28/26	**Senate**	**Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 11)**