

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

**H 5483 General Bill, By Erickson, Bradley, McGinnis, Hartnett, Teeple, Vaughan, Duncan, D. Mitchell, Lastinger and Atkinson**

**Similar (S 1060)**

**Summary:** Educator Safety and Classroom Authority Act of 2026

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "EDUCATOR SAFETY AND CLASSROOM AUTHORITY ACT OF 2026" BY ADDING ARTICLE 6 TO CHAPTER 63, TITLE 59, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR EDUCATOR SAFETY AND CLASSROOM AUTHORITY, TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO ESTABLISH THE AUTHORITY OF EDUCATORS IN CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT AND STUDENT DISCIPLINE, TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR STUDENT REFERRAL, REMOVAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSE, TO PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FOR EDUCATORS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND STAFF, TO REQUIRE CERTAIN ACTIONS BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

<b>04/01/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 6)</b>
<b>04/01/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 6)</b>
<b>04/21/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Duncan</b>
<b>04/22/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 4)</b>
<b>04/23/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: D.Mitchell</b>
<b>04/28/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Lastinger</b>
<b>04/28/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Amended (House Journal-page 18)</b>
<b>04/28/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Requests for debate-Rep(s). JL Johnson, McDaniel, Reese, Waters, Henderson-Myers, Luck, Hosey, Long, Clyburn, Pedalino, Schuessler, Guest, Crawford, Garvin, Weeks, Jones, Balletine, Magnuson (House Journal-page 18)</b>
<b>04/29/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 175)</b>
<b>04/30/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Atkinson</b>
<b>05/07/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Debate adjourned (House Journal-page 43)</b>
<b>05/13/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Recommitted to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 183)</b>