Session 126 - (2025-2026)

S*0585 (Rat #0144, Act #0125 of 2026) General Bill, By Tedder, Adams, Devine, Zell and Sutton

Summary: Motor Vehicle Registration

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SAFEGUARDING AMERICAN FAMILIES EVERYWHERE (SAFE) ACT" BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-115, RELATING TO DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING NOTATIONS ADDED TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE NOTATION "SAFE" MAY BE ADDED TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS TO INDICATE OWNERS OF VEHICLES OR OTHER PERSONS HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CERTAIN DISABILITIES, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-1910, RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "HANDICAPPED" TO INCLUDE PERSONS WHO HAVE AUTISM; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-14950, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES REFLECTIVE OF MILITARY CAMPAIGN MEDALS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF "OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE" SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-14970, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF MILITARY SERVICE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF "ARMED FORCES SURVIVING SPOUSE" SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES. - RATIFIED TITLE

04/16/25	**Senate**	**Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 15)**
04/16/25	**Senate**	**Referred to Committee on Transportation (Senate Journal-page 15)**
04/23/25		**Scrivener's error corrected**
04/30/25	**Senate**	**Committee report: Favorable Transportation (Senate Journal-page 11)**
05/06/25	**Senate**	**Read second time (Senate Journal-page 61)**
05/06/25	**Senate**	**Roll call Ayes-44 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 61)**
05/07/25	**Senate**	**Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 38)**
05/08/25	**House**	**Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 49)**
05/08/25	**House**	**Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 49)**
04/14/26	**House**	**Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 6)**
04/15/26		**Scrivener's error corrected**
04/16/26	**House**	**Amended (House Journal-page 14)**
04/16/26	**House**	**Read second time (House Journal-page 14)**
04/16/26	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-109 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 18)**
04/16/26	**House**	**Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 19)**
04/17/26	**House**	**Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 1)**
04/29/26	**Senate**	**House amendment amended (Senate Journal-page 122)**
04/29/26	**Senate**	**Returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 122)**
05/04/26		**Scrivener's error corrected**
05/05/26	**House**	**Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 41)**
05/05/26	**House**	**Roll call Yeas-106 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 41)**
05/14/26		**Ratified R 144**
05/15/26		**Signed By Governor**
05/26/26		**Effective date See Act for Effective Date**
05/26/26		**Act No. 125**