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S*0078 (Rat #0047, Act #0029 of 2025) General Bill, By Hembree, Young, Zell and Devine Similar (S 0088)

Summary: Work Experience Credit for Educators

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-60 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL AWARD YEARS OF EXPERIENCE CREDIT FOR CERTAIN RELEVANT NON-TEACHING OCCUPATIONAL EXPERIENCE TO CERTIFICATES OF EDUCATORS WHO SATISFY CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE SUCH EXPERIENCE CREDIT MAY BE AWARDED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVANCEMENT ON THE TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULE, TO PROVIDE OTHER EXISTING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS REMAIN UNCHANGED BY THIS ACT; AND TO PROVIDE DIRECTIVES TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT. - RATIFIED TITLE

12/11/24	Senate	Prefiled
12/11/24	Senate	Referred to Committee on Education
01/14/25	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 62)
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02/12/25	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education (Senate Journal-page 5)
02/19/25	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 19)
02/19/25	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 19)
02/19/25	Senate	Roll call Ayes-41 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 19)
02/20/25	Senate	Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 15)
02/25/25	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 23)
02/25/25	House	Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 23)
02/25/25		Scrivener's error corrected
04/24/25	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page
		47)
04/30/25	House	Amended (House Journal-page 41)
04/30/25	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 41)
04/30/25	House	Roll call Yeas-116 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 42)
05/01/25	House	Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 11)
05/06/25	Senate	Concurred in House amendment and enrolled (Senate Journal-page 89)
05/08/25		Ratified R 47
05/12/25		Signed By Governor
05/19/25		Effective date 05/12/25
05/19/25		Act No. 29