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S*0233 (Rat #0213, Act #0198 of 2016) General Bill, By Campsen, Hembree and Grooms

Summary: Prayer or invocation

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 6-1-160, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO INVOCATIONS TO OPEN MEETINGS OF DELIBERATIVE BODIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC PRAYER MEANS A PRAYER OR INVOCATION; TO PROVIDE THAT DELIBERATIVE PUBLIC BODY INCLUDES A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD; TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC INVOCATIONS MAY NOT PROSELYTIZE OR ADVANCE ANY ONE FAITH OR BELIEF, OR COERCE PARTICIPATION BY OBSERVERS; AND TO BROADEN THE ITEMS THAT MAY BE INCLUDED IN A POLICY TO PERMIT PUBLIC INVOCATIONS ADOPTED BY THE PUBLIC BODY. - ratified title

12/10/14	Senate	Prefiled
12/10/14	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/13/15	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 145)
01/13/15	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 145)
02/05/16	Senate	Referred to Subcommittee: Campsen (ch), Hembree, McElveen
02/22/16		Scrivener's error corrected
03/23/16	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 7)
03/24/16		Scrivener's error corrected
04/05/16	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 30)
04/05/16	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 30)
04/05/16	Senate	Roll call Ayes-39 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 30)
04/06/16		Scrivener's error corrected
04/06/16	Senate	Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 12)
04/12/16	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 10)
04/12/16	House	Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 10)
04/20/16	House	Recalled from Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 343)
04/20/16	House	Committed to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 343)
05/24/16	House	Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (House Journal-page 8)
05/31/16	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 11)
05/31/16	House	Roll call Yeas-107 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 12)
06/01/16	House	Read third time and enrolled (House Journal-page 6)
06/02/16		Ratified R 213
06/03/16		Signed By Governor
06/09/16		Effective date 06/03/16
06/09/16		Act No. 198