

## Session 116 - (2005-2006)

### H 3079 General Bill, By Howard, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter and Whipper

**Summary:** Judicial Merit Selection Commission membership increased; appointment powers changed

A BILL TO AMEND SECTIONS 2-19-10, 2-19-20, 2-19-25, 2-19-30, 2-19-35, 2-19-70, 2-19-80, 2-19-100, 2-19-110, ALL AS AMENDED, AND SECTION 2-19-90, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, ALL RELATING TO THE JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION, ALL SO AS TO CHANGE THE COMMISSION'S PROCESS FOR NOMINATING JUDICIAL CANDIDATES FROM THE NOMINATION OF THREE CANDIDATES TO THE RELEASE OF A LIST OF ALL QUALIFIED AND FIT CANDIDATES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT RACE, GENDER, NATIONAL ORIGIN, AND OTHER DEMOGRAPHIC FACTORS BE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMISSION, TO DEFINE THE TERM "IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER", AND TO PROVIDE FURTHER CONFORMING CHANGES.

12/08/04	House	Prefiled
12/08/04	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/11/05	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-73
01/11/05	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-73
02/09/05	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Whipper
03/09/05	House	Committee report: Favorable Judiciary HJ-5
03/10/05	House	Read second time HJ-18
03/10/05	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day HJ-20
03/10/05		Scrivener's error corrected
03/11/05	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-2
03/15/05	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-13
03/15/05	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-13
03/18/05	Senate	Referred to Subcommittee: Moore (ch), Ford, Mescher, Rankin, Scott
03/01/06	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary SJ-25