

Session 115 - (2003-2004)

H 3237 General Bill, By Leach, Altman and Simrill

Similar (H 3238)

**Summary:** Biennial state budget; zero based-budget; sine die provisions and shortening legislative session

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 2-1-180, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE MANDATORY SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT DATE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A BIENNIAL STATE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS SHALL ADJOURN SINE DIE NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. ON THE FIRST THURSDAY IN MAY, TO PROVIDE THAT IN AN ODD-NUMBERED YEAR BEGINNING IN 2005 IN WHICH THE BIENNIAL STATE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT IS GIVEN THIRD READING BEFORE MARCH THIRTY-FIRST BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE DATE OF SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT FOR THAT YEAR IS SHORTENED BY ONE STATEWIDE DAY FOR EACH STATEWIDE DAY BEFORE MARCH THIRTY-FIRST THAT THE ACT IS GIVEN THIRD READING BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 2-7-60, RELATING TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING WITH ITS 2005 SESSION FOR THE ENSUING TWO FISCAL YEARS, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL ENACT A BIENNIAL STATE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, AND TO REQUIRE THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INCLUDING ITS APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES TO USE A "ZERO-BASE" BUDGET PROCESS IN THE PREPARATION OF THE BIENNIAL STATE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN CRITERIA WHICH MUST BE USED IN THIS ZERO-BASE BUDGET PROCESS.

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