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H 4602 General Bill, By Campsen, Altman, Barfield, Barrett, Cato, Delleney, Easterday, Edge, Gamble, Hamilton, Harris, Haskins, Leach, Quinn, Rice, Riser, Robinson, Sandifer, Sharpe, Simrill, R. Smith, Tripp, Vaughn and Huggins

Summary: Release Time for Religious and Character Education Act, School districts, Curriculum, Religion, Students

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA RELEASED TIME FOR RELIGIOUS AND CHARACTER EDUCATION ACT", BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-460 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY ADOPT A POLICY THAT AUTHORIZES A STUDENT TO BE EXCUSED FROM SCHOOL TO ATTEND A CLASS IN RELIGIOUS OR CHARACTER INSTRUCTION, TO PROVIDE FOR THE REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE MET BEFORE STUDENTS MAY BE EXCUSED FOR THIS PURPOSE, AND TO PROVIDE THAT STUDENTS ATTENDING THIS INSTRUCTION ARE NOT CONSIDERED ABSENT FROM SCHOOL.

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