

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H*5131 (Rat #0213, Act #0159 of 2026) General Bill, By Hartnett, M.M. Smith and Henderson-Myers

Summary: Special License Plates

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-780, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF PERMANENT LICENSE PLATES AND FEES FOR VEHICLES OF THE STATE, POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, OR CIVIL AIR PATROL, SO AS TO CREATE PERMANENT LICENSE PLATES FOR TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-1230, RELATING TO SPECIFICATIONS FOR AND THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSE PLATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE SOUTH CAROLINA REVOLUTIONARY WAR SESTERCENTENNIAL COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE USED TO CREATE THE LICENSE PLATE TO COMMEMORATE THE TWO HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-4410, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SHARE THE ROAD LICENSE PLATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF "I BIKE SC" LICENSE PLATES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-16510 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF "QUAIL FOREVER" SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATES; AND BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-16610 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BLACKOUT SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES. - RATIFIED TITLE

02/10/26	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 8)
02/10/26	House	Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 8)
03/25/26	House	Committee report: Favorable Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 5)
03/26/26	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: M.M.Smith, Henderson-Myers
03/26/26	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 53)
03/26/26	House	Roll call Yeas-107 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 53)
03/26/26	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 54)
03/27/26	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 3)
03/31/26	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 14)
03/31/26	Senate	Referred to Committee on Transportation (Senate Journal-page 14)
04/15/26	Senate	Committee report: Favorable Transportation (Senate Journal-page 50)
04/29/26	Senate	Amended (Senate Journal-page 78)
04/29/26	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 78)
04/29/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 78)
04/30/26	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 38)
05/06/26	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 65)
05/06/26	House	Roll call Yeas-115 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 65)
05/14/26		Ratified R 213
05/15/26		Signed By Governor
06/02/26		Effective date 05/15/26
06/02/26		Act No. 159