

## Session 115 - (2003-2004)

### H 5370 General Bill, By W.D. Smith

**Summary:** Murder, provisions when death penalty may be imposed

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-20, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PUNISHMENT FOR MURDER, SO AS TO INCLUDE AS A SEPARATE AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE WHICH MAY BE CONSIDERED IN THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THE DEATH PENALTY MAY BE IMPOSED, A MURDER OF A PERSON'S SPOUSE WHILE THE PERSON IS SUBJECT TO A VALID ORDER OF PROTECTION, THE PERSON IS VIOLATING A CONDITION OF BOND, OR THE PERSON IS VIOLATING A RESTRAINING ORDER AND THE MURDER OF A PERSON'S SPOUSE IF THE PERSON HAS A PRIOR CONVICTION FOR CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

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