

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

### **S\*0694 (Rat #0121, Act #0113 of 2026) General Bill, By Young**

#### **Summary:** Polling Places in Aiken County

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 7-7-40, RELATING TO DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN AIKEN COUNTY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS DETERMINES THAT A PRECINCT CONTAINS NO SUITABLE LOCATION FOR A POLLING PLACE, THE BOARD, UPON APPROVAL OF A MAJORITY OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, MAY LOCATE THE POLLING PLACE INSIDE THE COUNTY AND WITHIN FIVE MILES OF THE PRECINCT'S BOUNDARIES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 5-15-60, RELATING TO MUNICIPALITIES ADOPTING METHODS OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR AND DETERMINING RESULTS OF NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ANY MUNICIPALITY WHICH ELECTS TO HOLD PARTISAN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS MUST PAY ALL COSTS AND EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONDUCT OF A MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION. - RATIFIED TITLE

12/10/25	Senate	Prefiled
12/10/25	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/13/26	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 19)
01/13/26	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 19)
02/18/26	Senate	Committee report: Favorable Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 8)
03/03/26	Senate	Amended (Senate Journal-page 10)
03/03/26	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 10)
03/03/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 10)
03/04/26	Senate	Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 32)
03/05/26	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 35)
03/05/26	House	Referred to Aiken Delegation (House Journal-page 35)
03/25/26	House	Delegation report: Favorable Aiken Delegation (House Journal-page 2)
03/26/26		Scrivener's error corrected
03/26/26	House	Amended (House Journal-page 34)
03/26/26	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 34)
03/26/26	House	Roll call Yeas-105 Nays-1 (House Journal-page 35)
03/26/26	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 36)
03/27/26	House	Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 1)
04/01/26	Senate	Concurred in House amendment and enrolled (Senate Journal-page 59)
04/01/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-41 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 59)
04/01/26		Ratified R 121
04/06/26		Signed By Governor
04/23/26		Effective date 04/06/26
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