The House of Representatives

Members elected November 3, 2020, to serve until Monday after the General Election in November of 2022—79 Republicans, 43 Democrats, 2 vacancies—total 124.

Pursuant to Sec. 2-1-10 of the 1976 Code, amended by Act 991 of 1974, Act 173 of 1981, and Act 312 of 1982, beginning with the 1974 General Election, members of the House of Representatives are elected from 124 single member districts. Each district contains a population of approximately one/one hundred and twenty-fourth of the total population of the State based on the 2010 Federal Census. First year of legislative service stated always means the session year. Before 1896 members were elected in November, and their first session year began in the same month. Since then (under the Constitution of 1895) the first session year has started in January following the November election.

OFFICERS

The Speaker (Chief Administrative Officer)

LUCAS, James Howle "Jay" [R]—(Dist. No. 65, Chesterfield-*Darlington*-Kershaw-Lancaster Cos.)—Atty.; residing at 1744 Garland Dr., Hartsville; *b.* Aug. 11, 1957 in Columbia; *s.* Bobby and Shirley Lucas; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1975, M.P.A., 1981, J.D., 1988; Aug. 18, 1990 *m.* Tracy Ann Deglman, 1 child, Will, 1 granddaughter; Fin. Dir., City of Bennettsville, 1982–84; Co. Admin., Fairfield Co., 1984–86; Co. Atty., Darlington Co., 1990–94; City Judge, City of Hartsville, 1995–96; Partner, Lucas, Warr & White, Attys. at Law, 2009–; Coker Coll., hon. Degree, 2010; Francis Marion Univ., hon. Degree, 2014; The Citadel, hon. Ph.D., Public Admin., 2020; 1999 Professional of the Year, Mental Health Assn. for Darlington Co.; 2014 Wilkins Award for Excellence in Legis. Leadership, Riley Inst.; 2014 Jimmy Newsom Signature Award, Darlington Co. School Dist.; 2015 SCICU Legis. Champion, S.C. Independent Colls. and Univs.; 2015 Leadership in Law Award, S.C. Lawyers Weekly; Earle E. Morris, Jr., Public Policy Award; 2016 Public

Servant of the Year Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce; 2016 S.C. Common Good Award for Educ., United Way Assn. of S.C.; 2016 Roger Milliken Defender of Mfg. Award, S.C. Mfg. Alliance; Legislator of the Year: S.C. Farm Bureau Assn., Paul's Foundation, S.C. Recreation, Parks & Tourism, S.C. Solicitor's Assn., S.C. State Firefighter's Assn.; Inst. for Child Success; mem., Hartsville Lions Club; past Bd. mem., Hartsville Chamber of Commerce; past Chm., Hartsville Natl. League; Hartsville Lodge #173; past Co-Chm., S.C. House Rural Caucus; past Chm., Darlington Co. Rep. Party; past Chm., Darlington Co. Coordinating Council; Natl. Future Farmers of America (FFA) hon. Degree, 2015, 88th Natl. FFA Convention; 2017 Legis. Champion of the Year, S.C. Alliance to Fix Our Roads; 2017 John W. Parris Agricultural Leadership Award, S.C. Assn. of Agricultural Educators; 2017 S.C. Legislator of the Year, Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence Inc.; 2020 Recipient of the Marion P. Carnell Award; 2021 Emanuel Nine Commemoration Humanitarian Award, Emanuel Nine Commemoration Com.; 2021 50 Most Influential, *Columbia Business Monthly*; Univ. of S.C. Honors Coll. Adjunct Professor, 2021–; mem., Emmanuel Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 1999–21; Speaker *Pro Tempore*, 2010–14; elected Speaker Dec. 2, 2014, serving continuously since.

Speaker *Pro Tempore*

POPE, Thomas E. "Tommy" [R]—(Dist. No. 47, *York* Co.)—Atty., Elrod Pope Law Firm; residing at 1622 Pioneer Rd., York; *b.* July 24, 1962 in Rock Hill; *s.* James E. and Elizabeth Thomas Pope; *g.* S.C. Criminal Justice Academy, 1983; Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1984, J.D., 1987; July 22, 1994 *m.* Kimberly Greenwood, 4 children, Logan, Jacob, Preston, and Kaylen, 2 grandchildren; Solicitor, 16th Circuit, 1993–06; Pres., S.C. Solicitors Assn., 2001–03; Chm., S.C. Common Prosecution Coordination, 2006; Silver Compleat Lawyer Award, 1999; S.C. Bar; House of Delegates, Bd. of Govs.; Chm., Judicial Qualification Comm.; Order of the Palmetto, 2008; Boys & Girls Club of York Co., Chief Volunteer Officer (CVO), 2009; Winthrop Univ. Bd. of Trustees, 2009–11; Bus. Advocate Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce,

2011; Legislator of the Year, Amer. Legion of S.C., 2012; Lawyer Legislator Com. Chair, 2014–; Ambassador to City of Rock Hill's comm. prog., "#1 Question: Is it Good for the Children?"; named 2014 Legislator of the Year by the Adult Educ. Dirs. Div. S.C. Assn. of School Admins.; named 2014 Legislator of the Year by the S.C. Recreation and Parks Assn.; S.C. Super Lawyers List, 2013–20; named 2015–16 Legislator of the Year by The Sheriffs' Assn.; 2016 Graduate of Leadership S.C.; Bus. Champion Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2017; mem. of Westminister Presbyterian Church; actively involved in Elevation Church of Rock Hill; prev. serv. in House 2011–21; elected Speaker *Pro Tempore* Dec. 2, 2014, serving continuously since.

Clerk of the House

REID, Charles F.—(Richland Co.)—residing in Columbia; *s.* the late Rev. William C. Reid, Harriet Reid Strait, and Rev. George E. Strait; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., 1990; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1993; *m.* Taj Burnside, 3 children; Davis & Lavender, P.C., 1993; Asst. S.C. Atty. Gen., 1994–95; Legal Counsel to the Speaker of the House, 1995–01; McNair Law Firm, P.A., 2001–03; Gen. Counsel to the S.C. House of Reps., 2004; Clerk of the House, Nov. 30, 2004–Mar. 31, 2019; Pres. & CEO, SCBIPEC, Apr. 1, 2019–Oct. 31, 2019; mem., Shandon United Methodist Church, Cola.; apptd. Acting Clerk of the House Nov. 1, 2019–Jan. 13, 2020; elected Clerk of the House Jan. 14, 2020, serving continuously since.

Assistant Clerk of the House

HOTTEL, Donald Benjamin, Jr.—(Richland Co.)—residing in Columbia; *g.* S.C. Honors Coll. at Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1982; *m.* the late Deborah Davis, 1 child; Research Dir./Budget Analyst to Gov. Carroll A. Campbell, 1989–94; Budget Dir. to Gov. David M. Beasley, 1995–98; Analyst, Ways & Means Com., 1999; Chief of Staff, Ways & Means Com., 1999–05; Chief of

Staff, Speaker's Office, 2005–06; apptd. Asst. Clerk of the House Jan. 16, 2007, serving continuously since.

Reading Clerk

CROMER, James L. Mann, Jr. "Bubba"—(Richland Co.)—Atty., Cromer Law Offices; residing in Columbia; *b.* Apr. 19, 1963 in Columbia; *s.* J. Lewis and Carolyn M. Cromer; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 1985; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1988; Pres., Dreher High School, 1980; Pres., Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 1983; Speaker's Bureau, Clemson Univ., 1984; Chief Justice of Natl. Moot Court Bar, State of S.C., 1987–88; Hurricane Hugo Relief Coordinator, Dorchester Co., 1989; *Who's Who in Amer. Colls. & Univs.*, 1983; *Outstanding Young Men in America*, 1983; S.C. Pro Bono Serv. Award, 1991; admitted to practice law in S.C., Calif., and in the Dist. of Cola.; multiple recipient "Friend of the Taxpayer Award"; The Humane SPCA Legislator of the Year, 1992; Recipient of Order of the Palmetto, 1998; Parishioner, St. Joseph's R.C.C., Cola., S.C.; Sacred Heart R.C.C., Brevard, N.C.; mem., Dreher High School Foundation; novelist, "Blue", ©1997; filmmaker, screenwriter & dir., "The Long Way Home: A Bigfoot Story", © 2007 Best Narrative Feature, New York Intl. Independent Film & Video Festival, 2007; prev. serv. in House 1991–98; elected Reading Clerk Dec. 1, 1998, serving continuously since.

Sergeant at Arms

DORMAN, Mitchell G.—(Lancaster Co.)—residing in Kershaw; *s.* the late Harold B. and the late Cecelia G. Dorman; *g.* Criminal Justice Academy, 1983; Univ. of S.C. Lancaster, A.S., 1986; 1 child, Nicholas; mem.: Abney Lodge 211; Natl. Legis. Servs. & Security Assn.; Kershaw Second Baptist Church; House Security, 1983–85; Asst. Dir. of House Security, 1985–90; elected Sergeant at Arms Dec. 4, 1990, serving continuously since.

Chaplain

SEASTRUNK, Charles E., Jr.—(Richland Co.)—residing at 4906 Landrum Dr., Columbia; *b.* Apr. 23, 1931 in Winchester, Va.; *s.* the late C. Ernest and Louise Eargle Seastrunk; attended Clemson Coll.; *g.* Newberry Coll., B.S., 1955; Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, M.Div., 1958; Bowman Gray School of Medicine, CPE, 1969; Airwar Coll. Seminar, 1977; Pepperdine Univ., M.A., 1979; Nov. 25, 1955 *m.* Sarah Truesdell, 2 children, Charles III and Susan; mil. serv.: retired USAF Chaplain, 1984; elected Chaplain Nov. 19, 2002, serving continuously since.