**Wednesday, January 30, 2013**

**(Statewide Session)**

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 The Senate assembled at 11:30 A.M., the hour to which it stood adjourned, and was called to order by the PRESIDENT.

 A quorum being present, the proceedings were opened with a devotion by the Chaplain as follows:

Among the many profound sayings in Proverbs, we are reminded of this gem:

 “When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.” (Proverbs 11:2)

 Join me as we pray, if you will:

 Glorious God, how challenging it is for any man or woman to shake off the power of pride. Pride can lead all of us in directions You would prefer us not to go. It is a trap that awaits every one. Consequently, we all desperately seek Your guidance and Your strength, O Lord, in escaping from the dangers of self-importance. We pray that each one of these servants of Yours in this Chamber embraces humility and its partner, wisdom. Truly, may humbleness and wise action more often than not define the leadership style of each Senator -- always. Hear this humble prayer, dear Lord.

Amen.

 The PRESIDENT called for Petitions, Memorials, Presentments of Grand Juries and such like papers.

**Privilege of the Chamber**

 On motion of Senator PEELER, with unanimous consent, the Privilege of the Chamber, to that area behind the rail, was extended to Mr. Jerry Richardson, owner of the Carolina Panthers football franchise, and to extend the Senate’s gratitude and pride on behalf of the entire State of South Carolina and best wishes for continued success to him.

**REGULATIONS RECEIVED**

 The following were received and referred to the appropriate committee for consideration:

Document No. 4327

Agency: Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation - Panel for Dietetics

Chapter: 40

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 40-20-50

SUBJECT: Code of Ethics, Interpretation of Standards, and Reporting of Disciplinary Actions

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 30, 2013

Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 30, 2013

Document No. 4328

Agency: Occupational Therapy Board

Chapter: 94

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40-1-70 and 40-36-10, et seq.

SUBJECT: Requirements of Licensure for Occupational Therapists

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Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

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**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

The following co-sponsors were added to the respective Bills:

S. 137 Sen. Larry Martin

S. 291 Sen. Massey

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

 The following were introduced:

 S. 312 -- Senator Ford: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-29-155 SO AS TO REQUIRE EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE AT LEAST ONE COURSE OF INSTRUCTION THAT ENCOMPASSES CIVICS AND GEOGRAPHY TO STUDENTS IN THE FIFTH GRADE, EIGHTH GRADE, AND ELEVENTH GRADE, TO PROVIDE THE COURSE MUST BE AT LEAST ONE SEMESTER IN LENGTH, AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ASSIST THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH LOCATING AND DEVELOPING APPROPRIATE CURRICULA FOR THIS INSTRUCTION.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

 S. 313 -- Senators Hayes, Courson, Setzler, Matthews, Lourie, Hutto, Jackson, Rankin, L. Martin and O'Dell: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 62 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO ESTABLISH A SCHOOL DISTRICT CHOICE PROGRAM AND OPEN ENROLLMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM OF THIS STATE, TO PROVIDE FOR A VOLUNTARY PILOT TESTING OF THE PROGRAM BEFORE FULL IMPLEMENTATION, TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS, TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPLICATION PROCESS FOR STUDENTS WISHING TO TRANSFER, TO PROVIDE RESPONSIBILITIES, STANDARDS, AND CRITERIA CONCERNING SENDING AND RECEIVING SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS, TO PROVIDE STANDARDS OF APPROVAL, PRIORITIES FOR ACCEPTING STUDENTS AND CRITERIA FOR DENYING STUDENTS, TO PROVIDE THAT WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS THE PARENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRANSPORTING THE STUDENT TO SCHOOL, TO PROVIDE THAT DISTRICTS SHALL RECEIVE ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE BASE STUDENT COST FROM THE STATE FOR NONRESIDENT STUDENTS ENROLLED PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER, TO PROVIDE THAT A STUDENT GENERALLY MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC CONTESTS AND COMPETITIONS FOR ONE YEAR AFTER HIS DATE OF ENROLLMENT, TO PROVIDE THAT A RECEIVING DISTRICT SHALL ACCEPT CERTAIN CREDITS TOWARD A STUDENT'S REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION AND SHALL AWARD A DIPLOMA TO A NONRESIDENT STUDENT WHO MEETS ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION, TO PROVIDE THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY CONTRACT WITH CERTAIN ENTITIES FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNUALLY SHALL SURVEY SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DETERMINE PARTICIPATION IN THE OPEN ENROLLMENT PROGRAM AND PROVIDE CERTAIN DELETED REPORTS ON THE PROGRAM TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO PROVIDE A DISTRICT MAY RECEIVE CERTAIN WAIVERS CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT, AND TO PROVIDE THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROGRAM EACH FISCAL YEAR IS CONTINGENT UPON THE APPROPRIATION OF ADEQUATE FUNDING BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

 S. 314 -- Senator Ford: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO DESIGNATE SECTIONS 54-1-10 THROUGH 54-1-40 AS ARTICLE 1, ENTITLED “GENERAL PROVISIONS”; AND BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 54 SO AS TO ENACT THE “WATERCRAFT GAMBLING ACT” SO AS TO MAKE IT LAWFUL TO USE GAMBLING DEVICES ON WATERCRAFT AND TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 315 -- Senator Ford: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XVII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS, BY ADDING SECTION 7C SO AS TO ESTABLISH RIVERBOAT GAMBLING AND A GAMBLING COMMISSION.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 316 -- Senators Bright and Bryant: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 31, TITLE 23 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO FIREARMS, BY ADDING ARTICLE 9 TO ENACT THE “SECOND AMENDMENT PRESERVATION ACT” TO NULLIFY UNCONSTITUTIONAL ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN REGARD TO THE INFRINGEMENT OF THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS, AND TO PROHIBIT ENFORCEMENT OF UNCONSTITUTIONAL ACTS AND CONVICTIONS FOR FAILING TO FOLLOW UNCONSTITUTIONAL FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 317 -- Senator Ford: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 34, ARTICLE III OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION AGAINST THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM ENACTING LOCAL OR SPECIAL LAWS, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OR POSSESSION OF ANY TYPE OF COIN-OPERATED AMUSEMENT OR GAMING MACHINE OR DEVICE IN A COUNTY UPON THE ENACTMENT OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE OPERATION OR POSSESSION, UPON THE FAVORABLE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY’S LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, OR BY A PETITION SIGNED BY FIVE PERCENT OF THE COUNTY'S REGISTERED ELECTORS SUBJECT TO A FAVORABLE REFERENDUM.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 318 -- Senator Ford: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7, ARTICLE XVII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO LOTTERIES, SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT A REFERENDUM ON THE ISSUE OF AUTHORIZING CASINO BOAT GAMBLING MUST BE HELD IN EACH COUNTY OF THE STATE UPON PETITION OF ONE PERCENT OF THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE COUNTY OR UPON APPROVAL BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION OF THE COUNTY.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 319 -- Senator Gregory: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 56-3-10410, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES ISSUANCE OF “VETERAN” SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF THE LICENSE PLATES THAT MAY BE ISSUED TO A PERSON.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 S. 320 -- Senator Davis: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE DEPARTMENT’S REPLACEMENT BRIDGE LOCATED ALONG SPANISH WELLS ROAD ON HILTON HEAD ISLAND “CHARLIE SIMMONS, SR. MEMORIAL BRIDGE” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS BRIDGE THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS “CHARLIE SIMMONS, SR. MEMORIAL BRIDGE”.

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 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 3395 -- Reps. V. S. Moss, D. C. Moss, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bannister, Barfield, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowen, Bowers, Branham, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Chumley, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, H. A. Crawford, K. R. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Edge, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hardwick, Harrell, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Herbkersman, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Kennedy, King, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, Munnerlyn, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Ott, Owens, Parks, Patrick, Pitts, Pope, Powers Norrell, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sabb, Sandifer, Sellers, Simrill, Skelton, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, J. R. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Toole, Vick, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Wood: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE BRIDGE IN CHEROKEE COUNTY THAT CROSSES THE NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY TRACKS ALONG UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 29 THE “EDNA H. HAMRICK MEMORIAL BRIDGE” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS BRIDGE THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS “EDNA H. HAMRICK MEMORIAL BRIDGE”.

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 3405 -- Reps. Hardee, Anderson, Barfield, Clemmons, H. A. Crawford, Edge, George, Hardwick, Hayes and Ryhal: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME STATE ROAD S‑26-668 IN HORRY COUNTY “BRANDON OLIVER STEVENS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS ROAD THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS “BRANDON OLIVER STEVENS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY”.

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 3434 -- Rep. Howard: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR KAREN ALEXANDER, FOUNDER AND CEO OF THE AUNTIE KAREN FOUNDATION, FOR HER SUCCESSFUL USE OF THE ARTS TO EDUCATE AND EMPOWER CHILDREN ACROSS THE GLOBE.

 The Concurrent Resolution was adopted, ordered returned to the House.

**HOUSE CONCURRENCES**

 S. 166 -- Senators Grooms, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Ford, Gregory, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Leatherman, Lourie, Malloy, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, Matthews, McElveen, McGill, Nicholson, O’Dell, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Scott, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE NATION OF ISRAEL FOR ITS RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND WITH THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

 Returned with concurrence.

 Received as information.

 S. 298 -- Senators Scott, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Ford, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Leatherman, Lourie, Malloy, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, Matthews, McElveen, McGill, Nicholson, O’Dell, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEFENSIVE END JADEVEON CLOWNEY FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SEASON, AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM FOR BEING NAMED THE 2012 AT&T NATIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR AND SEC DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR.

 Returned with concurrence.

 Received as information.

**Motion Adopted**

 On motion of Senator COURSON, with unanimous consent, the Senate agreed that, at the conclusion of the Joint Assembly, the Senate would stand adjourned.

**RECESS**

 At 11:55 A.M., on motion of Senator COURSON, the Senate receded from business for the purpose of attending the Joint Assembly.

**JOINT ASSEMBLY**

**Elections**

 At 12:00 P.M., the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

 The PRESIDENT of the Senate called the Joint Assembly to order and announced that it had convened under the terms of a Concurrent Resolution adopted by both Houses.

**Election to a Position on the Court of Appeals, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the Court of Appeals, Seat #3.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable John D. Geathers had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable John D. Geathers in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable John D. Geathers was elected to the position of Court of Appeals, Seat #3 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to a Position on the Court of Appeals, Seat #4**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the Court of Appeals, Seat #4.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Paula H. Thomas had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Paula H. Thomas in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Paula H. Thomas was elected to the position of Court of Appeals, Seat #4 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, 5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, 5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable DeAndrea Gist Benjamin had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable DeAndrea Gist Benjamin in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable DeAndrea Gist Benjamin was elected to the position of Judge, 5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, 7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, 7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Joseph Derham Cole had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Joseph Derham Cole in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Joseph Derham Cole was elected to the position of Judge, 7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Circuit Court, 9th Judicial Circuit**

**Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Mr. Thomas R. Goldstein and the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the name of Mr. Thomas R. Goldstein was withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson was elected to the position of Judge, 9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Rivers Lawton McIntosh had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Rivers Lawton McIntosh in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Rivers Lawton McIntosh was elected to the position of Judge, 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #14**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #14.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Ms. Jon René Josey, Mr. R. Keith Kelly and Mr. Clifford Scott had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Mr. Clifford Scott and Ms. Jon René Josey were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of Mr. R. Keith Kelly in nomination, moved that nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable R. Keith Kelly was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at‑large, Seat #14 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #15**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect

a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #15.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Mr. Jerome P. Askins III, the Honorable Marvin H. Dukes III and the Honorable Maité Murphy had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Mr. Jerome P. Askins III and the Honorable Marvin H. Dukes III were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Maité Murphy in nomination, moved that nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Maité Murphy was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #15 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #16**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect

a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #16.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Ms. Deborah B. Barbier, Mr. Daniel Dewitt Hall and the Honorable Donald Bruce Hocker had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the name of Ms. Deborah B. Barbier and Mr. Daniel Dewitt Hall were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Donald Bruce Hocker in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Donald Bruce Hocker was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at‑large, Seat #16 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**1st Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 1st Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Ann Gué Jones had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Ann Gué Jones in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Ann Gué Jones was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 1st Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**2nd Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 2nd Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable A. Dale Moore Gable had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable A. Dale Moore Gable in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable A. Dale Moore Gable was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 2nd Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Angela Renee Taylor had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Angela Renee Taylor in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Angela Renee Taylor was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat #3.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Gordon B. Jenkinson had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Gordon B. Jenkinson in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Gordon B. Jenkinson was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 3rd Judicial Circuit, Seat #3 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, 5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that The Honorable Michelle Manigault Hurley, Mr. Daniel Deeds Kienker and Mr. Robert Marshall Paul Masella had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Mr. Daniel Deeds Kienker and Mr. Robert Marshall Paul Masella were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Michelle Manigault Hurley in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Michelle Manigault Hurley was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Dana A. Morris had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Dana A. Morris in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Dana A. Morris was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 5th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**6th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 6th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Brian M. Gibbons had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Brian M. Gibbons in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Brian M. Gibbons was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 6th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Phillip Kendall Sinclair had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Phillip Kendall Sinclair in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Phillip Kendall Sinclair was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable James F. Fraley, Jr. had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable James F. Fraley, Jr. in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable James F. Fraley, Jr. was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 7th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**8th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 8th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Joseph Wilson McGowan III had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Joseph Wilson McGowan III in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Joseph Wilson McGowan III was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 8th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**8th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, 8th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Mr. Bradley W. Knott, Mr. Joseph Collins Smithdeal and Mr. Tommy L. Stanford had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Mr. Bradley W. Knott and Mr. Tommy L. Stanford were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Joseph Collins Smithdeal in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Joseph Collins Smithdeal was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 8th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Paul Warren Garfinkel had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Paul Warren Garfinkel in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Paul Warren Garfinkel was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #4**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #4.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Wayne Morris Creech had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Wayne Morris Creech in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Wayne Morris Creech was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 9th Judicial Circuit, Seat #4 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Edgar Henderson Long, Jr. had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Edgar Henderson Long, Jr. in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Edgar Henderson Long, Jr. was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Tommy B. Edwards had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Tommy B. Edwards in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Tommy B. Edwards was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat #3 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**11th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 11th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Deborah Neese had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Deborah Neese in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Deborah Neese was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 11th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**12th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 12th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Timothy Hick Pogue had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Timothy Hick Pogue in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Timothy Hick Pogue was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 12th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**12th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 12th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable A. Eugene “Gene” Morehead had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable A. Eugene “Gene” Morehead in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable A. Eugene “Gene” Morehead was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 12th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**13th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 13th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Rochelle Y. Conits had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Rochelle Y. Conits in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Rochelle Y. Conits was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 13th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**13th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 13th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable William Marsh Robertson had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable William Marsh Robertson in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable William Marsh Robertson was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 13th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**14th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 14th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Gerald C. Smoak, Jr. had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Gerald C. Smoak, Jr. in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Gerald C. Smoak, Jr. was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 14th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**15th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 15th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Jan Benature Bromell Holmes had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Jan Benature Bromell Holmes in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Jan Benature Bromell Holmes was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 15th Judicial Circuit, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Position of Judge, Family Court**

**16th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the positition of Judge, Family Court, 16th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable David Glenn Guyton had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable David Glenn Guyton in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David Glenn Guyton was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 16th Judicial Circuit, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #1.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Ms. Rosalyn Woodson Frierson, Ms. Mary Jane Goodwin and Ms. Kelly Pope had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the name of Ms. Mary Jane Goodwin was withdrawn from consideration.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Ms. Rosalyn Woodson Frierson and Ms. Kelly Pope were placed in nomination.

 The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

**First Ballot**

 The following named Senators voted for Ms. Frierson:

Allen Campsen Coleman

Courson Davis Ford

Gregory Hayes Hutto

Jackson Johnson Leatherman

Malloy Matthews McElveen

McGill Nicholson Pinckney

Rankin Scott Setzler

Sheheen Williams

**Total--23**

 The following named Senators voted for Ms. Pope:

Alexander Bennett Bright

Bryant Campbell Cleary

Corbin Cromer Fair

Grooms Hembree *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey O'Dell

Peeler Reese Shealy

Thurmond Turner Verdin

Young

**Total--22**

 On the motion of Representative Delleney, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

 The following named Representatives voted for Ms. Frierson:

Alexander Anthony Bales

Bernstein Bingham Bowen

Bowers Branham G. A. Brown

R. L. Brown Clyburn Cobb-Hunter

Daning Delleney Dillard

Douglas Funderburk George

Gilliard Govan Hart

Hayes Herbkersman Hodges

Horne Hosey Howard

Jefferson King Knight

Lowe Lucas Mack

McEachern M. S. McLeod W. J. McLeod

Merrill Mitchell Munnerlyn

Murphy Neal Ott

Parks Powers Norrell Quinn

Ridgeway Robinson-Simpson Rutherford

Sabb Sellers Simrill

G. M. Smith J. E. Smith Stavrinakis

Vick Weeks Whipper

White Williams

**Total--59**

 The following named Representatives voted for Ms. Pope:

Allison Atwater Ballentine

Bannister Barfield Bedingfield

Brannon Chumley Clemmons

Cole H. A. Crawford K. R. Crawford

Crosby Edge Erickson

Felder Finlay Forrester

Gagnon Gambrell Goldfinch

Hamilton Hardee Hardwick

Harrell Henderson Hiott

Hixon Huggins Kennedy

Loftis Long McCoy

D. C. Moss Nanney Newton

Norman Owens Patrick

Pitts Pope Putnam

Riley Rivers Ryhal

Sandifer Skelton G. R. Smith

J. R. Smith Sottile Southard

Spires Stringer Tallon

Taylor Toole Wells

Whitmire Willis Wood

**Total--60**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 45

Total number of Representatives voting 119

Grand Total 164

Necessary to a choice 83

Of which Frierson received 82

Of which Pope received 82

 No candidate having received a majority vote, the PRESIDENT ordered the General Assembly to proceed to a subsequent ballot.

**Second Ballot**

 The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

 The following named Senators voted for Ms. Frierson:

Allen Campsen Coleman

Courson Davis Ford

Gregory Hayes Hutto

Jackson Johnson Leatherman

Malloy Matthews McElveen

McGill Nicholson Pinckney

Rankin Scott Setzler

Sheheen Williams

**Total--23**

 The following named Senators voted for Ms. Pope:

Alexander Bennett Bright

Bryant Campbell Cleary

Corbin Cromer Fair

Grooms Hembree *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey O'Dell

Peeler Reese Shealy

Thurmond Turner Verdin

Young

**Total--22**

 On the motion of Representative Delleney, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

 The following named Representatives voted for Ms. Frierson:

Alexander Anthony Bales

Bernstein Bingham Bowen

Bowers Branham G. A. Brown

R. L. Brown Clyburn Cobb-Hunter

Daning Delleney Dillard

Douglas Funderburk George

Gilliard Govan Hart

Hayes Herbkersman Hodges

Horne Hosey Howard

Jefferson King Knight

Lowe Lucas Mack

McEachern M. S. McLeod W. J. McLeod

Merrill Mitchell Munnerlyn

Murphy Neal Ott

Parks Powers Norrell Quinn

Ridgeway Robinson-Simpson Rutherford

Sabb Sellers Simrill

G. M. Smith J. E. Smith Stavrinakis

Vick Weeks Whipper

White Williams

**Total--59**

 The following named Representatives voted for Ms. Pope:

Allison Atwater Ballentine

Bannister Barfield Bedingfield

Brannon Chumley Clemmons

Cole H. A. Crawford K. R. Crawford

Crosby Edge Erickson

Felder Finlay Forrester

Gagnon Gambrell Goldfinch

Hamilton Hardee Hardwick

Harrell Henderson Hiott

Hixon Huggins Kennedy

Loftis Long McCoy

D. C. Moss V. S. Moss Nanney

Newton Norman Owens

Patrick Pitts Pope

Putnam Riley Rivers

Ryhal Sandifer Skelton

G. R. Smith J. R. Smith Sottile

Southard Spires Stringer

Tallon Taylor Toole

Wells Whitmire Willis

Wood

**Total--61**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 45

Total number of Representatives voting 120

Grand Total 165

Necessary to a choice 83

Of which Frierson received 82

Of which Pope received 83

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Kelly Pope was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #1 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #2.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Mr. Tony Miller Jones, Mr. Samuel McGowan Price, Jr. and Mr. William Gregory Seigler had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Mr. Samuel McGowan Price, Jr. and Mr. William Gregory Seigler were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of Mr. Tony Miller Jones in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Tony Miller Jones was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, at‑large, Seat #2 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #3.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Mr. James G. McGee III had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of Mr. James G. McGee III in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable James G. McGee III was elected to the position of an at-large position, Judge, Family Court, Seat #3 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #4**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #4.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Ms. Monét S. Pincus, the Honorable Caroline Whitehead Streater and Ms. Katherine Joyce Hall Tiffany had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Ms. Katherine Joyce Hall Tiffany and the Honorable Caroline Whitehead Streater were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of Ms. Monét S. Pincus in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Monét S. Pincus was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #4 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #5**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #5.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Ms. Martha McCright Rivers Davisson, Ms. Melissa Johnson Emery and Mr. Randall Edward McGee had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the name of Ms. Martha McCright Rivers Davisson was withdrawn from consideration.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Ms. Melissa Johnson Emery and Mr. Randall Edward McGee were placed in nomination.

 The Reading Clerk of the Senate called the roll of the Senate, and the Senators voted *viva voce* as their names were called.

 The following named Senators voted for Ms. Emery:

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campbell

Cleary Corbin Cromer

Fair Ford Gregory

Grooms Hayes Hembree

Johnson Leatherman Malloy

*Martin, Larry Martin, Shane* McGill

Nicholson Peeler Rankin

Reese Thurmond Verdin

Williams

**Total--28**

 The following named Senators voted for Mr. McGee:

Campsen Coleman Courson

Davis Hutto Jackson

Matthews McElveen O'Dell

Pinckney Scott Setzler

Shealy Sheheen Turner

Young

**Total--16**

 On the motion of Representative Delleney, with unanimous consent, the members of the House voted by electronic roll call.

 The following named Representatives voted for Ms. Emery:

Alexander Allison Bannister

Barfield Bedingfield Bowen

Chumley Clemmons Cole

H. A. Crawford K. R. Crawford Crosby

Daning Delleney Edge

Erickson Felder Gagnon

Gambrell George Goldfinch

Hamilton Hardee Hardwick

Harrell Hayes Henderson

Hixon Loftis Lowe

Lucas Munnerlyn Nanney

Norman Owens Patrick

Pitts Pope Riley

Rivers Ryhal Simrill

G. M. Smith G. R. Smith Sottile

Stavrinakis Stringer Taylor

Wells Whipper Whitmire

Willis Wood

**Total--53**

 The following named Representatives voted for Mr. McGee:

Anthony Atwater Bales

Ballentine Bernstein Bingham

Bowers Branham Brannon

G. A. Brown R. L. Brown Clyburn

Cobb-Hunter Dillard Douglas

Finlay Forrester Funderburk

Gilliard Govan Hart

Herbkersman Hiott Hodges

Horne Hosey Howard

Huggins Jefferson Kennedy

King Knight Long

Mack McCoy McEachern

M. S. McLeod W. J. McLeod Merrill

Mitchell D. C. Moss V. S. Moss

Murphy Neal Ott

Parks Powers Norrell Putnam

Quinn Ridgeway Robinson-Simpson

Rutherford Sabb Sandifer

Sellers Skelton J. E. Smith

J. R. Smith Southard Spires

Tallon Toole Vick

Weeks White Williams

**Total--66**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 44

Total number of Representatives voting 119

Grand Total 163

Necessary to a choice 82

Of which Emery received 81

Of which McGee received 82

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Randall Edward McGee was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, at‑large, Seat #5 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election of a Family Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #6**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Family Court, at-large, Seat #6.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Mr. Thomas Tredway Hodges, Mr. David Earl Phillips and Mr. Paul Daniel Schwartz had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Mr. Thomas Tredway Hodges and Mr. Paul Daniel Schwartz were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of Mr. David Earl Phillips in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable David Earl Phillips was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, at‑large, Seat #6 for the term prescribed by law.

**Election to the Postion of Judge, Administrative Law Court**

**Seat #5**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Administrative Law Court, Seat #5.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Shirley Canty Robinson had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Shirley Canty Robinson in nomination, moved that the nominations be closed and, with unanimous consent, the vote was taken by acclamation, resulting in the election of the nominee.

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable the Honorable Shirley Canty Robinson was elected to the position of Judge, Administrative Law Court, Seat #5 for the term prescribed by law.

 The purposes of the Joint Assembly having been accomplished, the PRESIDENT declared it adjourned, whereupon the Senate returned to its Chamber and was called to order by the PRESIDENT.

 At 1:00 P.M., the Senate resumed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

 At 1:01 P.M., on motion of Senator COURSON, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11:00 A.M.

**Recorded Vote**

 Senators BRIGHT and BRYANT desired to be recorded as voting against the motion to adjourn.

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