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The House assembled at 12:00 noon.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk, Jr., as follows:

 Our thought for today is from Psalm 32:8: “I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.”

 Let us pray. Our gracious Heavenly Father, bless these Representatives and staff and teach them in the way they should go about the business they face today. Guide them through this day and keep them safe. Grant them the will to do Your will in accomplishing the duties set before them. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, staff, and all who contribute to the success of this State. Protect our defenders of freedom. Heal the wounds, those seen and those hidden, of those who suffer and sacrifice for our freedom. Lord of grace, hear our prayers. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE*.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* ordered it confirmed.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. HOSEY moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Terry E. Lee, which was agreed to.

**REGULATION WITHDRAWN AND RESUBMITTED**

Document No. 4564

Agency: Department of Health and Environmental Control

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 44-7-260

Standards for Licensing Habilitation Centers for Persons with Intellectual Disability or Persons with Related Conditions

Received by Speaker of the House of Representatives May 20, 2015

Referred to Regulations and Administrative Procedures Committee

Legislative Review Expiration April 25, 2016

Revised: April 30, 2016

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**REGULATION WITHDRAWN**

Document No. 4581

Agency: Department of Health and Environmental Control

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 43-5-910

WIC Vendors

Received by Speaker of the House of Representatives January 12, 2016

Referred to Regulations and Administrative Procedures Committee

Legislative Review Expiration: Permanently Withdrawn

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

Rep. ALLISON, from the Committee on Education and Public Works, submitted a favorable report with amendments on:

H. 4688 -- Reps. Clemmons, Felder, Clary, Collins, Daning, R. L. Brown, Forrester and Rivers: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-1030, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE WITH TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AND RAILROAD SIGNS AND SIGNALS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THIS SECTION ALSO APPLIES TO PORTABLE ROAD CLOSURE SIGNS AND DEVICES, AND TO THE UNLAWFUL REPOSITIONING OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AND RAILROAD SIGNS AND SIGNALS.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. ALLISON, from the Committee on Education and Public Works, submitted a favorable report with amendments on:

H. 4394 -- Reps. Chumley, Burns and Yow: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56-5-1539 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE APPROACHING A WRECKER OR A TOW TRUCK THAT IS DISPLAYING WARNING SIGNALS MUST PROCEED WITH CAUTION AND, IF POSSIBLE, YIELD THE RIGHT OF WAY BY MAKING A LANE CHANGE INTO A LANE THAT IS NOT ADJACENT TO THE WRECKER OR TOW TRUCK, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

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**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5096 -- Reps. Bernstein and Finlay: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE A. C. FLORA HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS, AT A DATE AND TIME TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SPEAKER, FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEING RECOGNIZED AND COMMENDED ON THEIR IMPRESSIVE SEASON AND FOR CAPTURING THE 2016 CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the privilege of the floor of the South Carolina House of Representatives be extended to the A. C. Flora High School boys basketball team, coaches, and school officials, at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker, for the purpose of being recognized and commended on their impressive season and for capturing the 2016 Class AAA State Championship title.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5097 -- Reps. Parks, Pitts, Riley, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Rivers,

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Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE REVEREND NORRIS TURNER OF GREENWOOD COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5099 -- Reps. Bernstein, Finlay, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE A. C. FLORA HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR CAPTURING THE 2016 CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO HONOR THE TEAM'S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF.

The Resolution was adopted.

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**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 1167 -- Senators Fair, Hutto and Jackson: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THAT ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF CHILDREN IS A SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM, TO COMMEND THE IMPORTANT WORK BEING DONE TO COMBAT THIS SERIOUS PROBLEM, AND TO DECLARE TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2016, AS "CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER DAY" IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Concurrent Resolution was agreed to and ordered returned to the Senate with concurrence.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following Bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred to appropriate committees:

H. 5095 -- Reps. King, Felder and Simrill: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 1-1-686 SO AS TO DESIGNATE "DUM SPIRO SPERO" TRANSLATED AS "WHILE WE BREATHE, WE HOPE" AS THE OFFICIAL ANTHEM OF THE STATE.

Referred to Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions

H. 5098 -- Reps. Henegan, King, M. S. McLeod, Hosey, Whipper, Kirby, Gilliard, Dillard, Robinson-Simpson and Norrell: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 11 TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 24 SO AS TO ENACT A "PRISONER'S BILL OF RIGHTS", TO PROVIDE THAT THESE RIGHTS ARE TO BE AFFORDED A PRISONER, THAT THESE RIGHTS DO NOT CREATE GROUNDS FOR DISMISSAL OF A CRIMINAL PROCEEDING OR SETTING ASIDE OF A CONVICTION; AND TO DEFINE THE TERM "PRISONER".

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

S. 1013 -- Senators Alexander and Davis: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 57, TITLE 40 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE LICENSURE AND REGULATION OF REAL ESTATE BROKERS, SALESPERSONS, AND PROPERTY MANAGERS, TO REORGANIZE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER; TO REVISE

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AND ADD CERTAIN DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED IN THIS CHAPTER; TO SPECIFY THAT CERTAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES BELONG TO THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION RATHER THAN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION; TO DELETE A LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEE; TO DELETE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, USE, AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION EDUCATION AND RESEARCH FUND; TO DELETE THE PROVISION REQUIRING LICENSURE APPLICANTS TO SUBMIT A CREDIT REPORT, AND TO REQUIRE APPLICANTS TO UNDERGO CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS; TO REVISE EDUCATION AND RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF CERTAIN LICENSEES; TO PROVIDE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE LICENSE IS REVOKED MAY NOT REAPPLY FOR LICENSURE FOR THREE YEARS, RATHER THAN ONE YEAR; TO PROVIDE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THE COMMISSION MAY RECOGNIZE A REAL ESTATE LICENSE FROM ANOTHER STATE AND TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR NONRESIDENT LICENSEES; TO SPECIFY CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKERS IN CHARGE AND PROPERTY MANAGERS IN CHARGE; TO REQUIRE THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF CERTAIN STUDENT CONTINUING EDUCATION AND QUALIFYING COURSE RECORDS TO THE COMMISSION, AND TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION MAINTAIN A SECURE DATABASE OF THESE RECORDS; TO FURTHER SPECIFY ADVERTISING AND MARKETING REQUIREMENTS AND LICENSEE STATUS DISCLOSURE; TO CLARIFY AND FURTHER SPECIFY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF BROKERS IN CHARGE AND PROPERTY MANAGERS IN CHARGE CONCERNING TRUST FUNDS AND TRUST ACCOUNTS, RECORDKEEPING, AND THE SUPERVISION AND INSTRUCTION OF LICENSEES REGARDING THESE MATTERS; TO PROVIDE THAT NO CAUSE OF ACTION ARISES IF AN OWNER OF REAL ESTATE OR A LICENSEE DOES NOT DISCLOSE THE LOCATION OF A REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER; TO FURTHER SPECIFY THE RELATIONSHIPS AND THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF BROKERS IN CHARGE, BROKERAGE FIRMS, AND LICENSEES TO THEIR CLIENTS, CUSTOMERS, AGENTS, OTHER LICENSEES, AND OTHER LICENSED INDIVIDUALS; TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR

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GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF LICENSURE OR FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSION TO REQUIRE A LICENSEE TO UNDERGO A CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK AS PART OF AN INVESTIGATION OR DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING; AND TO CLARIFY CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENTS OF INFORMATION RECORDED FOR AN INVESTIGATION OR PROCEEDING; AND BY ADDING SECTION 27-32-85 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PURCHASE OF BENEFICIARY RIGHTS IN A TRUST BASED TIMESHARE, WHERE THE CONTRACT IS MADE IN THIS STATE, IS A REAL PROPERTY OWNERSHIP CONVEYANCE SUBJECT TO ALL CLOSING REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN THE TIME SHARING TRANSACTION PROCEDURES ACT.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

**ROLL CALL**

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

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| Bales | Bamberg | Bernstein |
| Bradley | Brannon | R. L. Brown |
| Burns | Chumley | Clary |
| Clemmons | Cobb-Hunter | Cole |
| Collins | Corley | H. A. Crawford |
| Crosby | Delleney | Dillard |
| Douglas | Duckworth | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Fry |
| Funderburk | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| George | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Govan | Hardee | Hart |
| Hayes | Henderson | Herbkersman |
| Hicks | Hill | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hodges | Hosey |
| Howard | Jefferson | Johnson |
| Jordan | Kennedy | King |
| Kirby | Knight | Limehouse |
| Loftis | Long | Lowe |
| Lucas | Mack | McCoy |
| McKnight | M. S. McLeod | W. J. McLeod |
| D. C. Moss | Nanney | Newton |
| Norrell | Ott | Pitts |

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| Rivers | Ryhal | Sandifer |
| Simrill | J. E. Smith | Spires |
| Stavrinakis | Stringer | Taylor |
| Tinkler | Toole | Whipper |
| White | Williams | Willis |
| Yow |  |  |

**STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

I came in after the roll call and was present for the Session on Tuesday, March 15.

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| Merita Allison | Nathan Ballentine |
| Bruce W. Bannister | Eric Bedingfield |
| Kenny Bingham | Grady Brown |
| Shannon Erickson | Dan Hamilton |
| Chip Huggins | Joe McEachern |
| James Merrill | V. Stephen Moss |
| Joseph Neal | Ralph Norman |
| Anne Parks | Richard "Rick" Quinn |
| Robert Riley | Leola Robinson-Simpson |
| Todd Rutherford | G. Murrell Smith |
| Garry R. Smith | Michael Sottile |
| Edward L. Southard | Edward "Eddie" Tallon |
| David Weeks | William R. "Bill" Whitmire |
| William Bowers |  |

**Total Present--115**

**SPEAKER IN CHAIR**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. THAYER a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. DANING a leave of absence for the day.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. MURPHY a leave of absence for the day due to a court appearance.

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**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. ATWATER a leave of absence for the day due to business reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. HENEGAN a leave of absence for the day due to family medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. HORNE a leave of absence for the day.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. ANDERSON a leave of absence for the remainder of the day.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. HIOTT a temporary leave of absence.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. HIXON a temporary leave of absence.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. OTT a temporary leave of absence.

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. C. Wendell James III of Greenville was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED AND REMOVED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

"5.2 Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co‑sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co‑sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member’s

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or co‑sponsor’s written notification in the House Journal. The removal or addition of a name does not apply to a bill or resolution sponsored by a committee.”

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3645 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | NEWTON |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3706 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | BEDINGFIELD |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4165 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | WHIPPER and GILLIARD |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4286 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | PUTNAM |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4521 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | WHIPPER and R. L. BROWN |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4718 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | WHIPPER, R. L. BROWN, MACK and GILLIARD |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4875 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | WHIPPER and R. L. BROWN |

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**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4877 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | WHIPPER |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4998 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 03/15/16 | NEWTON |

**CO-SPONSOR REMOVED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 5090 |
| Date: | REMOVE: |
| 03/15/16 | BRANNON |

**H. 4165--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4165 -- Reps. King, Henegan, Douglas, Williams, M. S. McLeod, Whipper and Gilliard: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGIME FEE FAIRNESS TO DEPLOYED SERVICE MEMBERS ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 27-1-75 SO AS TO PROVIDE A HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION MAY NOT ENFORCE A LIEN FOR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGIME FEES THAT ACCRUE AND ARE NOT PAID DURING THE TIME PERIOD THAT THE HOMEOWNER IS DEPLOYED OR MOBILIZED OUTSIDE OF THIS STATE UNTIL THE HOMEOWNER RETURNS FROM DEPLOYMENT, TO PROVIDE A HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION MAY NOT ASSESS OR IMPOSE PENALTIES FOR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGIME FEES NOT PAID DURING THE TIME PERIOD THAT THE HOMEOWNER IS DEPLOYED OR MOBILIZED OUTSIDE OF THIS STATE; TO MAKE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT ALSO APPLICABLE TO DEPENDENTS RESIDING WITH THE SERVICE MEMBER; TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMINOLOGY; AND TO MAKE THESE PROVISIONS RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2015.

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The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 4165 (COUNCIL\BH\4165C001.BH.AB16):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting language and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. This act must be known and may be cited as the “Homeowners’ Association Regime Fee Fairness to Deployed Service Members Act”.

SECTION 2. Chapter 1, Title 27 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

 “Section 27‑1‑75. (A) A service member who belongs to a homeowners’ association must notify the homeowners’ association of orders of deployment upon receipt of deployment notification and pay any regime fees currently due before being deployed. However, for regime fees that become due while the homeowner is deployed, a homeowners’ association may not:

 (1) enforce a lien for homeowners’ association regime fees that accrue and are not paid during the time period that the homeowner is deployed or mobilized outside of this State, and until the homeowner returns from deployment; or

 (2) assess or impose penalties for homeowners’ association regime fees not paid during the time period that the homeowner is deployed or mobilized outside of this State.

 (B) The provisions of this section also apply to dependents residing with the service member.

 (C) The provisions of this section may not be waived by contract, and such a purported waiver is void.

 (D) The provisions of this section apply only to the service member’s primary residence.

 (E) Nothing in this section shall waive an obligation of the deployed service member from continuing to maintain the property as defined in declaration or otherwise by law.

 (F) As used in this subsection, ‘homeowners’ association’ means an organization that is organized and operated to provide for the acquisition, construction, management, and maintenance of property.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor. /

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. DOUGLAS explained the amendment.

Reps. SANDIFER, WHITMIRE, CORLEY, NEWTON, HERBKERSMAN, J. E. SMITH, JORDAN, FINLAY, W. J. MCLEOD, M. S. MCLEOD, KING, WILLIAMS, JOHNSON, DUCKWORTH, FELDER, NORMAN, TOOLE, CROSBY, H. A. CRAWFORD, BALES, HOSEY, HARDEE and RYHAL requested debate on the Bill.

**H. 5001--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 5001 -- Ways and Means Committee: A BILL TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS AND TO PROVIDE REVENUES TO MEET THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2016, TO REGULATE THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Rep. PITTS moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, March 16, which was agreed to.

**H. 5002--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 5002 -- Ways and Means Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016, AND TO ALLOW UNEXPENDED FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS AND EXPENDED FOR THE SAME PURPOSES.

Rep. PITTS moved to adjourn debate on the Joint Resolution until Wednesday, March 16, which was agreed to.

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**H. 3706--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3706 -- Reps. Putnam, Gagnon, Yow, Thayer, Gambrell, Ridgeway, Norrell, Henderson, Fry and Bedingfield: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 99, TITLE 44, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO EMERGENCY TREATMENT FOR MEDICAL HAZARDS CAUSED BY INSECT STINGS, SO AS TO RENAME THE CHAPTER THE "EMERGENCY ANAPHYLAXIS TREATMENT ACT", TO ADD A DEFINITION FOR "EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR", TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO DEVELOP A TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ADMINISTER EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS, TO ALLOW CERTAIN ENTITIES TO OBTAIN A PRESCRIPTION FOR AN EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR FROM PHYSICIANS, PHARMACISTS, AND OTHER AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS, TO ALLOW PHYSICIANS, PHARMACISTS, AND OTHER AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS TO PRESCRIBE OR SELL A PRESCRIPTION FOR AN EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR TO CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO ALLOW APPROPRIATELY CERTIFIED EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN ENTITIES TO USE AN EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR, TO PROVIDE LIABILITY LIMITATIONS FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES WHEN ADMINISTERING AN EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3706 (COUNCIL\BH\ 3706C001.BH.VR16), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting language and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. This act may be cited as the “Emergency Anaphylaxis Treatment Act”.

SECTION 2. Chapter 99, Title 44 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“CHAPTER 99

~~Insect Sting~~ Emergency Anaphylaxis Treatment Act

 ~~Section 44‑99‑10.~~ ~~This chapter may be cited as the ‘Insect Sting Emergency Treatment Act’.~~

 ~~Section 44‑99‑20.~~ ~~As used in this chapter:~~

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 ~~(1)~~ ~~‘Certificate’ means official acknowledgment by the department that an individual has completed the required training program pursuant to this chapter.~~

 ~~(2)~~ ~~‘Department’ means the Department of Health and Environmental Control.~~

 ~~(3)~~ ~~‘Program’ means the program established by the department for training and certifying individuals to administer treatment to persons suffering a severe adverse reaction to an insect sting which involves the administration of epinephrine.~~

 ~~Section 44‑99‑30.~~ ~~(A)~~ ~~The department is authorized to establish a program to provide for the training and certification of individuals to administer certain forms of emergency treatment for medical hazards caused by insect stings. The department shall develop standards, guidelines, and prescribe regulations for the implementation of the program. All administrative responsibility of the program is vested in the department.~~

 ~~(B)~~ ~~In the development of the curriculum for training and certification under the program, the department shall include the following subjects:~~

 ~~(1)~~ ~~techniques on how to recognize symptoms of systemic reactions to insect stings;~~

 ~~(2)~~ ~~standards and procedures for administering a subcutaneous injection of epinephrine.~~

 ~~Section 44‑99‑40.~~ ~~(A)~~ ~~A person desiring certification for the administration of emergency treatment insect sting, pursuant to this chapter, shall apply to the department and complete the program established by the department for training and certification.~~

 ~~(B)~~ ~~The department shall determine and establish the validation and expiration periods for certificates issued pursuant to this chapter and requirements and procedures for renewals if the department considers it necessary.~~

 ~~(C)~~ ~~The department may suspend or revoke a certificate at any time it determines that the holder no longer meets the prescribed qualifications established by the department or has failed to provide services or treatment of a quality acceptable to the department pursuant to this chapter.~~

 ~~Section 44‑99‑50.~~ ~~(A)~~ ~~An applicant for certification shall meet the following requirements:~~

 ~~(1)~~ ~~be eighteen years of age or older;~~

 ~~(2)~~ ~~have, or reasonably expect to have, responsibility for at least one other person as a result of one’s occupational or volunteer status,~~

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~~such as camp counselors, scout leaders, school teachers, forest rangers, tour guides, or chaperones;~~

 ~~(3)~~ ~~successfully complete the training program established by the department.~~

 ~~(B)~~ ~~A person, who meets the qualifications of this section and is certified by the department pursuant to this chapter, is authorized to administer in an emergency situation prescribed epinephrine to persons suffering adverse reaction to an insect sting.~~

 ~~(C)~~ ~~A person, who is certified by the department to administer emergency services for insect stings as provided in this chapter, is authorized to obtain from a physician, pharmacist, or any other person or entity authorized to prescribe or sell prescribed medicines or drugs, a prescription for premeasured doses of epinephrine and the necessary supplies for the administration of the drug.~~

 ~~Section 44‑99‑60.~~ ~~Licensed, registered, and certified physicians, nurses, and other such certified professionals are not required to obtain certification for the administration of emergency treatment to persons suffering a severe adverse reaction to an insect sting as prescribed in this chapter.~~

 ~~Section 44‑99‑70.~~ ~~The department may collect fees from applicants for the training program for administration of this chapter.~~

 ~~Section 44‑99‑80.~~ ~~No cause of action may be brought against a certificate holder authorized by the department pursuant to this chapter for an act or omission of the certificate holder when acting in good faith while rendering emergency treatment pursuant to the authority granted by this chapter, except in cases of gross negligence.~~

 Section 44‑99‑10. As used in this chapter:

 (1) ‘Administer’ means the direct application of an epinephrine auto‑injector to the body of an individual.

 (2) ‘Authorized entity’ means any entity or organization, other than a school described in Section 59‑63‑95, in connection with or at which allergens capable of causing anaphylaxis may be present including, but not limited to, recreation camps, colleges and universities, daycare facilities, places of worship, youth sports leagues, amusement parks, restaurants, places of employment, and sports arenas.

 (3) ‘Department’ means the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

 (4) ‘Epinephrine auto‑injector’ means a single‑use device used for the automatic injection of a premeasured dose of epinephrine into the human body.

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 (5) ‘Health care practitioner’ means a physician, an advanced practice registered nurse authorized to prescribe medication pursuant to Section 40‑33‑34, or a physician assistant authorized to prescribe medication pursuant to Sections 40‑47‑955 through 40‑47‑965.

 (6) ‘Physician’ means a person authorized to practice medicine pursuant to Article 1, Chapter 47, Title 40.

 (7) ‘Provide’ means the supply of one or more epinephrine auto‑injectors to an individual.

 Section 44‑99‑20. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a health care practitioner may prescribe epinephrine auto‑injectors in the name of an authorized entity for use in accordance with this chapter. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, pharmacists and health care practitioners may dispense epinephrine auto‑injectors pursuant to a prescription issued in the name of an authorized entity. A prescription issued pursuant to this chapter is valid for two years. For the purposes of administering and storing epinephrine auto‑injectors, authorized entities are not subject to Chapter 43, Title 40 or Chapter 99 of the South Carolina Code of State Regulations.

 Section 44‑99‑30. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an authorized entity may acquire and stock a supply of epinephrine auto‑injectors pursuant to a prescription issued in accordance with this chapter. Epinephrine auto‑injectors acquired pursuant to this chapter must be stored in a location readily accessible in an emergency and in accordance with the epinephrine auto‑injector’s instructions for use, requirements that may be established by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, and recommendations included as part of an approved training. An authorized entity shall designate employees or agents who have completed the training required by Section 44‑99‑50, to be responsible for the storage, maintenance, control, and general oversight of epinephrine auto‑injectors acquired by the authorized entity.

 Section 44‑99‑40. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an employee, agent, or other individual associated with an authorized entity, who has completed the training required by Section 44‑99‑50, may use epinephrine auto‑injectors prescribed pursuant to Section 44‑99‑20 to:

 (1) provide an epinephrine auto‑injector to any individual who the employee, agent, or other individual believes in good faith is experiencing anaphylaxis, or the parent, guardian, or caregiver of that individual, for immediate administration, regardless of whether the

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individual has a prescription for an epinephrine auto‑injector or has previously been diagnosed with an allergy; and

 (2) administer an epinephrine auto‑injector to any individual who the employee, agent, or other individual believes in good faith is experiencing anaphylaxis, regardless of whether the individual has a prescription for an epinephrine auto‑injector or has previously been diagnosed with an allergy.

 Section 44‑99‑50. (A) An employee, agent, or other individual described in Section 44‑99‑30 or 44‑99‑40, before undertaking an act authorized by this chapter shall complete an anaphylaxis training program and must complete an anaphylaxis training program at least every two years following completion of the initial anaphylaxis training program. The training must be conducted by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, a licensed medical provider, a nationally recognized organization experienced in training laypersons in emergency health treatment, the manufacturer of an epinephrine auto‑injector, an organization with a training program that has been approved in at least three states, or an entity or individual approved by the department. The department also may approve specific entities or individuals or may approve classes of entities or individuals to conduct training.

 (B) Training may be conducted online or in person and, at a minimum, must address:

 (1) how to recognize signs and symptoms of severe allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis;

 (2) standards and procedures for the storage and administration of an epinephrine auto‑injector; and

 (3) emergency follow‑up procedures.

 (C) The entity that conducts the training shall issue a certificate to each person who successfully completes the anaphylaxis training program. The certificate, at a minimum, must include:

 (1) the name of the organization or individual conducting the training;

 (2) the name of the individual being trained; and

 (3) the date the training occurred.

 Section 44‑99‑60. (A) An authorized entity that possesses and makes available epinephrine auto‑injectors, and its employees, agents, and other individuals, a health care practitioner that prescribes or dispenses epinephrine auto‑injectors to an authorized entity, a pharmacist or health care practitioner that dispenses epinephrine auto‑injectors to an authorized entity, a third party that facilitates the

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availability of epinephrine auto‑injectors to an authorized entity, the department or other state agency engaged in approving training or in providing guidance to implement this chapter, and an individual or entity that conducts the training described in Section 44‑99‑50, are not liable for any injuries or related damages that result from any act or omission taken pursuant to this chapter; however, this immunity does not apply to acts or omissions constituting negligence, gross negligence, or wilful, wanton, or reckless disregard for the safety of others or for an act or omission that is performed while the individual is impaired by alcohol or drugs.

 (B) The administration of an epinephrine auto‑injector in accordance with this chapter is not the practice of medicine or any other profession that otherwise requires licensure.

 (C) This chapter does not eliminate, limit, or reduce any other immunities or defenses that may be available pursuant to state law, including those available pursuant to Section 15‑1‑310 and Chapter 78, Title 15.

 (D) An entity located in this State is not liable for any injuries or related damages that result from the provision or administration of an epinephrine auto‑injector outside of this State if the entity:

 (1) would not have been liable for the injuries or related damages had the provision or administration occurred within this State; or

 (2) is not liable for the injuries or related damages under the law of the state in which such provision or administration occurred.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. HART explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. HART explained the Bill.

The question then recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 99; Nays 0

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 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Anthony | Bales |
| Ballentine | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bedingfield | Bernstein | Bingham |
| Bradley | Brannon | G. A. Brown |
| R. L. Brown | Clary | Clemmons |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | Crosby |
| Delleney | Dillard | Douglas |
| Duckworth | Erickson | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Fry |
| Funderburk | Gagnon | George |
| Gilliard | Goldfinch | Govan |
| Hamilton | Hardee | Hart |
| Hayes | Henderson | Herbkersman |
| Hill | Hodges | Hosey |
| Howard | Huggins | Jefferson |
| Johnson | Jordan | Kennedy |
| King | Knight | Limehouse |
| Loftis | Long | Lowe |
| Lucas | Mack | McCoy |
| McEachern | McKnight | M. S. McLeod |
| W. J. McLeod | Merrill | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Nanney | Newton |
| Norman | Norrell | Parks |
| Pitts | Pope | Putnam |
| Quinn | Ridgeway | Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Sottile | Southard | Spires |
| Stringer | Tallon | Taylor |
| Tinkler | Toole | Weeks |
| Whipper | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Yow |

**Total--99**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3999--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3999 -- Reps. Henderson, G. M. Smith, Ridgeway and Atwater: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-66-30, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PERSONS WHO MAY MAKE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE CONSENT, SO AS TO CHANGE THE PROCESS FOR CERTAIN RELATIVES AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE THESE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS, TO ADD ADDITIONAL CLASSES OF PERSONS WITH THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THESE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS, TO REQUIRE A BIOETHICS COMMITTEE TO SELECT CERTAIN DECISION MAKERS, TO ENABLE CERTAIN DECISION MAKERS TO CONSULT WITH A SECOND PHYSICIAN BEFORE MAKING A HEALTH CARE DECISION, TO REQUIRE THAT DECISIONS TO WITHHOLD OR WITHDRAW LIFE-PROLONGING MEASURES BE REVIEWED BY A BIOETHICS COMMITTEE, AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN DOCUMENTATION RELATED TO SELECTION OF A DECISION MAKER.

The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3999 (COUNCIL\BH\ 3999C002.BH.VR16):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting language and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. Section 44‑66‑30 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

 “Section 44‑66‑30. (A) Where a patient is unable to consent, decisions concerning his health care may be made by the following persons in the following order of priority:

 (1) a guardian appointed by the court pursuant to Article 5, Part 3 of the South Carolina Probate Code, if the decision is within the scope of the guardianship;

 (2) an attorney‑in‑fact appointed by the patient in a durable power of attorney executed pursuant to Section 62‑5‑501, if the decision is within the scope of his authority;

 (3) a person given priority to make health care decisions for the patient by another statutory provision;

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 (4) a spouse of the patient unless the spouse and the patient are separated pursuant to one of the following:

 (a) entry of a pendente lite order in a divorce or separate maintenance action;

 (b) formal signing of a written property or marital settlement agreement; or

 (c) entry of a permanent order of separate maintenance and support or of a permanent order approving a property or marital settlement agreement between the parties;

 (5) ~~a parent or~~ an adult child of the patient, or if the patient has more than one adult child, a majority of the adult children who are reasonably available for consultation;

 (6) a parent of the patient;

 ~~(6)~~(7) an adult sibling~~, grandparent, or adult grandchild~~ of the patient, or if the patient has more than one adult sibling, a majority of the adult siblings who are reasonably available for consultation;

 (8) a grandparent of the patient, or if the patient has more than one grandparent, a majority of the grandparents who are reasonably available for consultation;

 ~~(7)~~(9) any other adult relative by blood or marriage who reasonably is believed by the health care professional to have a close personal relationship with the patient, or if the patient has more than one other adult relative, a majority of those other adult relatives who are reasonably available for consultation;

 ~~(8)~~(10) ~~a person given authority to make health care decisions for the patient by another statutory provision~~ a close friend of the patient who is an adult and reasonably is believed by the health care professional to have a close personal relationship with the patient;

 (11) a health care professional who must not be employed by the health care provider and must be selected by the health care provider’s ethics committee; however, if the health care provider does not have an ethics committee, the health care provider’s governing body shall designate a committee of the governing body comprised of at least three members to select the health care professional who shall serve as the decision maker pursuant to this item and who must not be employed by the health care provider.

 (B)(1) A health care professional serving as the decision maker pursuant to subsection (A)(11) must be notified that, upon request, the health care provider shall make available a physician, not involved in the patient’s care, to assist the health care professional in evaluating treatment options. A decision to withhold or withdraw life‑prolonging

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procedures must be reviewed by the health care provider’s ethics committee or the committee designated by the health care provider’s governing body pursuant to subsection (A)(11). A person serving as a decision maker pursuant to subsection (A)(11) shall serve as the decision maker for the patient for the entire time the patient is being cared for at the health care provider’s facility. However, if a person authorized to make health care decisions for a patient pursuant to subsections (A)(1)‑(A)(10) is identified after selection of a health care professional pursuant to subsection (A)(11) and that other person agrees to make health care decisions for the patient, the health care professional is no longer authorized to make health care decisions for the patient, and the identified person is authorized to and must make health care decisions for the patient as provided in subsection (A).

 (2) Documentation of efforts to locate a decision maker who is a person identified in subsections (A)(1) through (A)(10) must be recorded in the patient’s medical record.

 ~~(B)~~(C) If persons of equal priority disagree on whether certain health care should be provided to a patient who is unable to consent, an authorized person, a health care provider involved in the care of the patient, or any other person interested in the welfare of the patient may petition the probate court for an order determining what care is to be provided or for appointment of a temporary or permanent guardian.

 ~~(C)~~(D) Priority ~~under~~ pursuant to this section must not be given to a person if a health care provider responsible for the care of a patient who is unable to consent determines that the person is not reasonably available, is not willing to make health care decisions for the patient, or is unable to consent as defined in Section 44‑66‑20~~(6)~~(8).

 ~~(D)~~(E) An attending physician or other health care professional responsible for the care of a patient who is unable to consent may not give priority or authority ~~under~~ pursuant to subsections (A)(5) through ~~(8)~~ (A)(10) to a person if the attending physician or health care professional has actual knowledge that, before becoming unable to consent, the patient did not want that person involved in decisions concerning his care.

 ~~(E)~~(F) This section does not authorize a person to make health care decisions on behalf of a patient who is unable to consent if, in the opinion of the certifying physicians, the patient’s inability to consent is temporary, and the attending physician or other health care professional responsible for the care of the patient determines that the delay occasioned by postponing treatment until the patient regains the ability to consent will not result in significant detriment to the patient’s health.

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 ~~(F)~~(G) A person authorized to make health care decisions ~~under~~ pursuant to subsection (A) ~~of this section must~~ shall base those decisions on the patient’s wishes to the extent that the patient’s wishes can be determined. Where the patient’s wishes cannot be determined, the person ~~must~~ shall base the decision on the patient’s best interest.

 ~~(G)~~(H) A person authorized to make health care decisions ~~under~~ pursuant to subsection (A) ~~of this section~~ either may consent or withhold consent to health care on behalf of the patient.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. HART explained the amendment.

Rep. G. M. SMITH moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, March 16, which was agreed to.

**RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR**

Rep. BEDINGFIELD moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

**H. 4845--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4845 -- Reps. King and Parks: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 40-19-105 SO AS TO PROVIDE A FUNERAL HOME, FUNERAL DIRECTOR, OR EMBALMER MAY REFUSE TO RELEASE A DEAD HUMAN BODY TO THE CUSTODY OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY WHO HAS THE LEGAL RIGHT TO EFFECT A RELEASE UNTIL ALL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE FUNERAL HOME, FUNERAL DIRECTOR, OR EMBALMER WITH RESPECT TO THE DEAD HUMAN BODY HAVE BEEN FULLY SATISFIED; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-19-110, RELATING TO UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF A FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR EMBALMER, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT REFUSING TO PROPERLY RELEASE A DEAD HUMAN BODY TO THE CUSTODY OF THE PERSON OR ENTITY WHO HAS THE LEGAL RIGHT TO EFFECT A RELEASE CONSTITUTES UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT EXCEPT WHEN

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THE REFUSAL IS FOR FAILURE TO SATISFY RELATED FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS.

Rep. SANDIFER moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, March 16.

Rep. KING moved to table the motion, which was not agreed to.

The question then recurred to the motion to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, March 16, which was agreed to.

**H. 4718--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4718 -- Reps. Anthony, Hayes, Bingham, Erickson, Cobb-Hunter, Bales, Allison, Burns, Hiott, Robinson-Simpson, Anderson, Long, Whitmire, Merrill, George, Knight, Gambrell, Simrill, W. J. McLeod, Bannister, Bernstein, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Dillard, Felder, Gagnon, Goldfinch, Henderson, Herbkersman, Hixon, Nanney, Pitts, Ridgeway, Ryhal, Sandifer, G. R. Smith, Stringer, Weeks, Wells, White, Whipper, R. L. Brown, Gilliard and Mack: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-26-45 SO AS TO PROVIDE A PERSON WHO HAS TAUGHT IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM FOR AT LEAST TWENTY YEARS COLLECTIVELY WHILE HOLDING A TEMPORARY OR PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THROUGHOUT THIS TWENTY YEAR PERIOD IS NOT REQUIRED TO RENEW THESE CREDENTIALS TO MAINTAIN THEIR VALIDITY, AND TO PROVIDE THE CREDENTIALS REMAIN SUBJECT TO REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION FOR A DISCIPLINARY ACTION, TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER A TEACHER MEETS THESE CRITERIA BEFORE THE EXEMPTION MAY BE APPLIED TO THE TEACHER, AND TO PROVIDE THIS DETERMINATION ONLY MAY BE MADE AT THE REQUEST OF THE TEACHER, WHO MUST INITIATE THE PROCESS TO RECEIVE THE EXEMPTION.

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The Committee on Education and Public Works proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 4718 (COUNCIL\AGM\4718C001. AGM.AB16), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by deleting all after the enacting words and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. Chapter 26, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

 “Section 59‑26‑45. (A) A person is eligible for a South Carolina Retired Educator certificate if he:

 (1) previously held a South Carolina renewable, professional educator certificate;

 (2) is either a:

 (i) retired member of the South Carolina Retirement System; or

 (ii) current or former participant in the State Optional Retirement Program who would have met the eligibility requirements for retirement under the South Carolina Retirement System had he participated in that system rather than the State Optional Retirement Program.

 (3) does not hold another valid South Carolina educator certificate.

 (B) An initial retired educator certificate is valid for thirty years. A certificate may be renewed and is valid for ten years. To renew a retired educator certificate, an individual must submit a request for renewal to the State Department of Education. The department shall create forms and a process for submitting renewal requests.

 (C) Renewal of a retired educator certificate does not require completion of professional learning or renewal credit.

 (D) An educator who works under the retired certificate must work under a letter of agreement.

 (E) Nothing in this section exempts an educator from taking part in professional development that is required by the local school district.

 (F) The State Board of Education shall develop guidelines for the implementation of this section.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. STRINGER explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

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Rep. LIMEHOUSE proposed the following Amendment No. 2 to H. 4718 (COUNCIL\NBD\4718C001.NBD.CZ16), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

/ SECTION \_\_. Article 2, Chapter 63, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

 “Section 59‑63‑145. (A) Before September 1, 2016, each local school district shall include on its website a form that a student can complete online to anonymously report acts of harassment, intimidation, or bullying of a student in a school. This form must be called the ‘Report‑a‑Bully in School Website’, and a link to the form must be conspicuously displayed on the home page of the website for each district and school within the district. At a minimum, the form must include information about the date, location, and circumstances of the incident, along with the identity of the person who committed the incident. The school promptly shall investigate the allegations consistent with policies adopted by the district pursuant to the Safe School Climate Act. Each month the school shall report the number of acts reported through the website, the nature of each alleged act, whether the investigation of the report is pending or resolved, and if resolved, the date of the resolution.

 (B) To assist local school districts in developing policies for providing a ‘Report‑a‑Bully in School Website’, the State Board of Education shall develop model policies concerning the development, implementation, and promotion of the website within thirty days after the effective date of this section. This model policy shall include a template for a ‘Report‑a‑Bully in School Website’ that a school may use for its website. The State Board of Education also shall develop and implement a program to promote awareness of the website, emphasizing that preserving the anonymity of the identity of a person making a report is of paramount importance.

 (C) A report submitted through a ‘Report‑a‑Bully in School Website’ is not subject to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.” /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. LIMEHOUSE explained the amendment.

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**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. STRINGER raised the Point of Order that under Rule 9.3 that Amendment No. 2 to H. 4718 was out of order in that it was not germane to the Bill.

Rep. LIMEHOUSE spoke against the Point.

SPEAKER LUCAS sustained the Point of Order and ruled the amendment to be non-germane.

The question then recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 104; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anthony |
| Bales | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bedingfield | Bernstein |
| Bingham | Bradley | Brannon |
| G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown | Burns |
| Chumley | Clary | Clemmons |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | Crosby |
| Delleney | Dillard | Douglas |
| Duckworth | Erickson | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Fry |
| Funderburk | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| George | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Govan | Hamilton | Hardee |
| Hayes | Henderson | Herbkersman |
| Hill | Hiott | Hixon |
| Hodges | Hosey | Howard |
| Huggins | Jefferson | Johnson |
| Jordan | Kennedy | King |
| Kirby | Knight | Limehouse |
| Long | Lowe | Lucas |
| Mack | McCoy | McEachern |
| McKnight | M. S. McLeod | W. J. McLeod |
| D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss | Nanney |
| Neal | Norman | Norrell |
| Ott | Parks | Pitts |
| Putnam | Quinn | Riley |

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| Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal |
| Sandifer | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Southard | Spires | Stavrinakis |
| Stringer | Tallon | Taylor |
| Tinkler | Toole | Whipper |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Yow |  |

**Total--104**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3848--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3848 -- Reps. Huggins, J. E. Smith, McKnight, Jefferson, Hosey, Atwater, Toole, Burns, Herbkersman, Ridgeway, Simrill, Kennedy, Ballentine and Henegan: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA FOUNDING PRINCIPLES ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 59-29-155 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE COMPLETION OF A SEPARATE, FULL SEMESTER COURSE CONSISTING ONLY OF INSTRUCTION IN CERTAIN FOUNDING PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, TO REQUIRE A PASSING GRADE IN THE COURSE AND ON THE NATURALIZATION TEST FOR UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AS A CONDITION FOR GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

The Committee on Education and Public Works proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3848 (COUNCIL\AGM\3848C001. AGM.AB16), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Section 59-29-155, as contained in SECTION 2, by deleing the SECTION in its entirety and inserting:

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/ SECTION 2. Article 1, Chapter 29, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

 “Section 59‑29‑155. (A) The State Board of Education and Education Oversight Committee shall incorporate instruction on the founding principles that shaped the United States into the required study of the United States Constitution as provided in Section 59-29-120 and the South Carolina Social Studies Standards upon the next cyclical review. The board and committee shall include, at a minimum, the Federalist Papers and instruction on the structure of government and the role of the separation of powers and the freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights to the United States Constitution.

 (B) The State Department of Education biennially shall submit a report by October fifteenth of each odd-numbered year, commencing in 2017, to the Senate Education Committee and the House Education and Public Works Committee documenting the implementation of this section.

 (C) The State Department of Education shall make available professional development opportunities to teachers regarding subsection (A) by physical or electronic means.” /

Amend the bill further, by deleting SECTION 3 in its entirety and inserting:

/ SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor and applies at the beginning of the 2016‑2017 school year. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. STRINGER explained the amendment.

Rep. HILL moved to table the amendment.

The House refused to table the amendment by a division vote of 12 to 54.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question then recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 99; Nays 0

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 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Allison | Anthony | Bales |
| Ballentine | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bedingfield | Bernstein | Bradley |
| Brannon | R. L. Brown | Burns |
| Chumley | Clary | Clemmons |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | Crosby |
| Delleney | Dillard | Douglas |
| Duckworth | Erickson | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrester | Fry |
| Funderburk | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| George | Goldfinch | Govan |
| Hamilton | Hardee | Hayes |
| Henderson | Herbkersman | Hicks |
| Hill | Hiott | Hixon |
| Hodges | Hosey | Howard |
| Huggins | Jefferson | Johnson |
| Jordan | Kennedy | King |
| Kirby | Knight | Loftis |
| Long | Lowe | Lucas |
| Mack | McCoy | McEachern |
| McKnight | M. S. McLeod | W. J. McLeod |
| Merrill | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| Nanney | Neal | Newton |
| Norrell | Ott | Pitts |
| Putnam | Quinn | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Rivers | Robinson-Simpson |
| Rutherford | Ryhal | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Southard | Spires | Stringer |
| Tallon | Taylor | Tinkler |
| Toole | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Yow |

**Total--99**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR**

Rep. JEFFERSON moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5101 -- Rep. Bamberg: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ANDREW JACKSON ACADEMY 8-MAN VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM OF BAMBERG COUNTY WITH THE TEAM COACHES AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS, AT A DATE AND TIME TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SPEAKER, FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEING RECOGNIZED AND COMMENDED FOR CAPTURING THE 2015 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the privilege of the floor of the South Carolina House of Representatives be extended to the Andrew Jackson Academy 8‑man varsity football team of Bamberg County with the team coaches and school officials, at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker, for the purpose of being recognized and commended for capturing the 2015 South Carolina Independent School Association State Championship title.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5102 -- Reps. Bamberg, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas,

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Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE ANDREW JACKSON ACADEMY 8-MAN VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A REMARKABLE SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2015 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5103 -- Reps. Allison, Alexander, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer,

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Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR SARAH HAMRICK FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL POISE, TALENT, AND BEAUTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HER FOR BEING NAMED MISS SOUTH CAROLINA TEEN FOR 2015.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5104 -- Reps. Allison, Alexander, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR DAJA DIAL FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL POISE, TALENT, AND BEAUTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HER FOR BEING NAMED MISS SOUTH CAROLINA FOR 2015.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5105 -- Rep. Allison: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE JAMES F. BYRNES HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS, AT A DATE AND TIME TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SPEAKER, FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEING RECOGNIZED AND COMMENDED ON THEIR IMPRESSIVE SEASON AND FOR CAPTURING THE 2016 CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the privilege of the floor of the South Carolina House of Representatives be extended to the James F. Byrnes High School boys basketball team, coaches, and school officials, at a date and time to be determined by the Speaker, for the purpose of being recognized and commended on their impressive season and for capturing the 2016 Class AAAA State Championship title.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5106 -- Reps. Allison, Alexander, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE JAMES F. BYRNES HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

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BASKETBALL TEAM FOR CAPTURING THE 2016 CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO HONOR THE TEAM'S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5107 -- Reps. Bingham, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR JAMES E. "JIM" JACO OF CAYCE FOR A LIFETIME OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE OLYMPIA COMMUNITY AND TO WISH HIM MUCH SUCCESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5108 -- Reps. Allison and Loftis: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A STUDY COMMITTEE TO ASSESS THE ROLE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FLEETS IN

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HIRING ENTRY-LEVEL COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSED DRIVERS.

The Concurrent Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Education and Public Works.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 5111 -- Rep. Rutherford: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE ACCLAIMED WASHINGTON BALLET DANCER BROOKLYN MACK FOR HIS ILLUSTRIOUS CAREER, TO WELCOME THIS SON OF SOUTH CAROLINA ON HIS PRESENT VISIT TO HIS HOME STATE, AND TO EXTEND THANKS FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS IN SUPPORT OF COLUMBIA CLASSICAL BALLET AND COLUMBIA CITY BALLET.

The Concurrent Resolution was agreed to and ordered sent to the Senate.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following Bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred to appropriate committees:

H. 5100 -- Rep. Fry: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 38-71-1520, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE ACCESS TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROVIDER" TO INCLUDE ORAL SURGEONS AND DENTISTS LICENSED BY THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY; AND BY ADDING SECTION 38-71-1545 SO AS TO EXCLUDE APPLICATION OF THE ARTICLE TO CERTAIN INSURANCE POLICIES.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

H. 5109 -- Rep. Bingham: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE “SOUTH CAROLINA BUSINESS LICENSE TAX STANDARDIZATION ACT” BY ADDING SECTIONS 5-7-320 AND 4-1-190 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE SOLE MANNER IN WHICH A MUNICIPAL OR COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE TAX MAY BE IMPOSED,

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INCLUDING DURATION, CALCULATION, AND PAYMENT, AND TO RESTRICT COLLECTIONS IN THE 2018 LICENSE YEAR; TO AMEND SECTION 6-1-120, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE SHARING OF BUSINESS LICENSE INFORMATION AMONG LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12-4-310, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO POWERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, SO AS TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT TO SHARE MUNICIPAL BUSINESS LICENSE INFORMATION AMONG OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 5110 -- Reps. McKnight, Whipper, Gilliard, Cobb-Hunter, King, Parks, M. S. McLeod, Knight, Mack, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown and Hodges: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 10-1-220 SO AS TO REQUIRE PUBLIC BUILDINGS OWNED BY THE STATE OR ANY AGENCY, OFFICE, DEPARTMENT, DIVISION, COMMISSION, OR INSTITUTION THEREOF, TO SUPPLY FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN EACH FEMALE PUBLIC RESTROOM, FREE OF CHARGE.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

Rep. WEEKS moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

**RETURNED WITH CONCURRENCE**

The Senate returned to the House with concurrence the following:

H. 5075 -- Reps. Hamilton, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight,

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M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO DECLARE TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016, "SOUTH CAROLINA REALTOR DAY" IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE MANY OUTSTANDING REALTORS AND REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS IN OUR STATE.

H. 5086 -- Reps. Gagnon, Southard, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Bingham, Bowers, Bradley, Brannon, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, Kennedy, King, Kirby, Knight, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, McCoy, McEachern, McKnight, M. S. McLeod, W. J. McLeod, Merrill, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, Nanney, Neal, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, Riley, Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE ABBEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2016 CLASS AA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:30 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. HOSEY, adjourned in memory of Terry E. Lee, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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