**Wednesday, February 4, 2015**

**(Statewide Session)**

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 The Senate assembled at 11:45 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:

 We remember how the Psalmist declared:

 “It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect.”

 (Psalm 18:32)

 Let us pray, good friends:

 It is inevitable, O God, that these Senators and their staff members sometimes feel themselves beaten down by the problems and the challenges and the hurdles which confront them. We are thankful for the determination -- and the faithfulness -- of each of these leaders. May they unfailingly feel You present at their side, Lord, as You guide them and empower them always to do their very best for the women and men and children they represent here in this Senate. Give our Senators strength for their tasks. Lead them in the ways You would have them go and bless them all. We humbly pray this in your name, dear Lord. Amen.

**RECESS**

 At 11:50 A.M., on motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, 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.

 S. 12 -- Senators L. Martin, Campsen and Malloy: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO FIX NOON ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015, AS THE TIME TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 5, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, SEAT 6, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2018, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE, AND TO FILL THE SUBSEQUENT FULL TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2022; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 4, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 5, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 6, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 7, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 8, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 9, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE, AND TO FILL THE SUBSEQUENT FULL TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2021; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 10, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, SEAT 4, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2015; AND AS THE DATE TO MEET IN JOINT SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 12, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2017; TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON/ UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 15, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2018; TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LANDER UNIVERSITY, FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016; TO ELECT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 10, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2018.

**Election of a Court of Appeals Judge, Seat #5**

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable John C. Few 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 John C. Few was elected to the position of Judge, Court of Appeals, Seat #5 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Court of Appeals, Seat #6**

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Aphrodite Konduros 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 Aphrodite Konduros was elected to the position of Judge,Court of Appeals, Seat #6 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, 4th Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 4th Circuit, Seat #2.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Roger E. Henderson 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 Roger E. Henderson was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 4th Circuit, Seat #2 for the term to expire June 30, 2018.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, 5th Circuit, Seat #3**

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Robert E. Hood 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 Robert E. Hood was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 5th Circuit, Seat #3 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, 9th Circuit, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 9th Circuit, Seat #3.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Roger M. Young 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 Roger M. Young was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 9th Circuit, Seat #3 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, 13th Circuit, Seat #1**

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that James C. Alexander and the Honorable Perry H. Gravely had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the name of James C. Alexander was withdrawn from consideration.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the name the Honorable Perry H. Gravely was placed in nomination.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the names of the Honorable Perry H. Gravely 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 Perry H. Gravely was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 13th Circuit, Seat #1 for the term to expire June 30, 2016.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, 13th Circuit, Seat #3**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court Judge, 13th Circuit, Seat #3.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Robin B. Stilwell 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 Robin B. Stilwell was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 13th Circuit, Seat #3 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, 14th Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 14th Circuit, Seat #2.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Carmen T. Mullen 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 Carmen T. Mullen was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 14th Circuit, Seat #2 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, 15th Circuit, Seat #2**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 15th Circuit, Seat #2.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Benjamin H. Culbertson 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 Benjamin H. Culbertson was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, 15th Circuit, Seat #2 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

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

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable W. Jeffery Young 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 W. Jeffery Young was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #1 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

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

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable R. Markley Dennis, Jr. 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. Markley Dennis, Jr. was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #2 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

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

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Clifton B. Newman 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 Clifton B. Newman was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #3 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Edward W. “Ned” Miller had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Edward W. “Ned” Miller 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 Edward W. “Ned” Miller was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at‑large, Seat #4 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable J. Mark Hayes II had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable J. Mark Hayes II 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 J. Mark Hayes II was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #5 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

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

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable William H. Seals, Jr. 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 William H. Seals, Jr. was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #6 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #7**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #7.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable J. Cordell Maddox, Jr. 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 J. Cordell Maddox, Jr. was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #7 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #8**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #8.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable David C. Brown 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 David C. Brown was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #8 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #9**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #9.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Jerome P. Askins III, Tanya A. Gee and Clifford Scott had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the name of Clifford Scott was withdrawn from consideration.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Jerome P. Askins III and Tanya A. Gee 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 Jerome P. Askins III:

Bright Campsen Coleman

Davis Gregory Grooms

Hembree Johnson Leatherman

*Martin, Larry* Matthews McElveen

O'Dell Peeler Reese

Sabb Verdin Williams

**Total--18**

 The following named Senators voted for Tanya A. Gee:

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bryant Campbell Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Fair Jackson Kimpson

Lourie Malloy *Martin, Shane*

Massey Nicholson Pinckney

Rankin Scott Setzler

Shealy Sheheen Thurmond

Turner Young

**Total--26**

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

 The following named Representatives voted for Jerome P. Askins III:

Alexander Anderson Bamberg

Bannister Bedingfield Bradley

G. A. Brown R. L. Brown Chumley

Clary Clemmons Clyburn

Cobb-Hunter Corley Daning

Delleney Dillard Erickson

Felder Forrester Gagnon

Gambrell George Gilliard

Govan Hardwick Henegan

Hill Hixon Hodges

Howard Jefferson King

Kirby Limehouse Long

Lowe Lucas Mack

McKnight Merrill Mitchell

D. C. Moss V. S. Moss Ott

Parks Pitts Putnam

Ridgeway Riley Robinson-Simpson

G. M. Smith Stringer Tallon

Thayer Toole Weeks

Wells Whipper White

Williams Yow

**Total--62**

 The following named Representatives voted for Tanya A. Gee:

Allison Atwater Bales

Ballentine Bernstein Bingham

Bowers Brannon Burns

Cole Collins H. A. Crawford

Crosby Douglas Duckworth

Finlay Funderburk Goldfinch

Hamilton Hardee Hart

Henderson Herbkersman Hicks

Hiott Horne Hosey

Huggins Johnson Kennedy

Knight Loftis McCoy

McEachern M. S. McLeod W. J. McLeod

Murphy Nanney Neal

Newton Norman Pope

Norrell Quinn Rivers

Rutherford Sandifer Simrill

G. R. Smith J. E. Smith Sottile

Southard Spires Stavrinakis

Taylor Tinkler Whitmire

**Total--57**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 44

Total number of Representatives voting 119

Grand Total 163

Necessary to a choice 82

Of which Jerome P. Askins III received 80

Of which Tanya A. Gee received 83

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Tanya A. Gee was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #9 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Circuit Court Judge, At-Large, Seat #10**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #10.

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable James R. Barber III 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 James R. Barber III was elected to the position of Judge, Circuit Court, at-large, Seat #10 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Family Court Judge, 9th Circuit, Seat #2**

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that Spiros S. Ferderigos, Alice A. Richter‑Lehrman and Paul D. Schwartz had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of Spiros S. Ferderigos and Paul D. Schwartz were withdrawn from consideration.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of Alice A. Richter‑Lehrman 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 Alice A. Richter-Lehrman was elected to the position of Judge, Family Court, 9th Circuit, Seat #2 for the term to expire June 30, 2019.

**Election of a Administrative Law Court Judge, Seat #3**

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN, Chairman of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission, indicated that the Honorable Harold W. Funderburk, Jr. and the Honorable Carolyn C. Matthews had been screened and found qualified to serve.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the names of the Honorable Harold W. Funderburk, Jr. and the Honorable Carolyn C. Matthews were placed in nomination.

 Senator SHANE MARTIN moved under Section 2-19-80 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, to reject the slate of candidates in the election for Administrative Law Court, Seat #3.

 Representative Rutherford moved to table the motion to reject the slate of candidates in the election for Administrative Law Court, Seat #3.

 The roll call for the Senate was taken resulting as follows:

**Ayes 18; Nays 25**

**AYES**

Coleman Courson Cromer

Gregory Johnson Kimpson

Massey Matthews McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Pinckney

Reese Sabb Setzler

Shealy Sheheen Verdin

**Total--18**

**NAYS**

Alexander Bennett Bright

Bryant Campbell Campsen

Cleary Corbin Davis

Fair Grooms Hembree

Jackson Leatherman Lourie

Malloy *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Peeler Rankin Scott

Thurmond Turner Williams

Young

**Total--25**

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

 Yeas 70; Nays 48

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Anderson | Atwater |
| Bales | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bingham | Bowers | Bradley |
| Brannon | G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown |
| Clemmons | H. A. Crawford | Delleney |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Felder | Gambrell | George |
| Gilliard | Govan | Hamilton |
| Hardwick | Hart | Hill |
| Hixon | Hodges | Horne |
| Howard | Huggins | Jefferson |
| Johnson | King | Kirby |
| Knight | Lowe | Lucas |
| Mack | McCoy | McEachern |
| W. J. McLeod | Merrill | Mitchell |
| D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss | Murphy |
| Neal | Norman | Norrell |
| Ott | Pitts | Pope |
| Quinn | Ridgeway | Robinson-Simpson |
| Rutherford | Sandifer | Southard |
| Spires | Stavrinakis | Tinkler |
| Toole | Weeks | Whipper |
| White | Williams | Willis |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--70**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Allison | Bannister | Bedingfield |
| Bernstein | Burns | Chumley |
| Clary | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Cole | Collins | Corley |
| Crosby | Daning | Erickson |
| Finlay | Forrester | Gagnon |
| Goldfinch | Hardee | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hicks |
| Hiott | Hosey | Kennedy |
| Limehouse | Loftis | Long |
| McKnight | M. S. McLeod | Nanney |
| Newton | Parks | Putnam |
| Riley | Rivers | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Sottile | Stringer | Tallon |
| Taylor | Thayer | Wells |

**Total--48**

 By a vote of 88 to 73, the motion to reject the slate of candidates was laid on the table.

 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 Harold W. Funderburk, Jr.:

Alexander Allen Campbell

Cleary Cromer Davis

Grooms Jackson Johnson

Kimpson Matthews Peeler

Pinckney Sabb Sheheen

Verdin Williams

**Total--17**

 The following named Senators voted for Carolyn C. Matthews:

Bryant Coleman Courson

Fair Gregory Lourie

Malloy *Martin, Larry* Massey

McElveen Nicholson O'Dell

Rankin Reese Scott

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Young

**Total--19**

 The following named Senators voted present:

Bennett Bright Campsen

Corbin Hembree Leatherman

*Martin, Shane* Setzler

**Total--8**

 The following named Representatives voted for Harold W. Funderburk, Jr.:

Alexander Anderson Bales

Bamberg Bingham Bowers

Bradley Brannon G. A. Brown

R. L. Brown Burns Clary

Clemmons Clyburn Corley

H. A. Crawford Delleney Dillard

Douglas Duckworth Gagnon

Gambrell George Gilliard

Goldfinch Hamilton Hart

Hayes Hicks Hill

Hiott Hodges Hosey

Jefferson Johnson King

Kirby Loftis Lowe

Lucas Mack McEachern

W. J. McLeod Merrill Mitchell

D. C. Moss V. S. Moss Neal

Norman Ott Pitts

Pope Norrell Ridgeway

Riley Robinson-Simpson Rutherford

Simrill G. M. Smith G. R. Smith

Spires Stringer Toole

Weeks Whipper White

Whitmire Williams Willis

Yow

**Total--70**

 The following named Representatives voted for Carolyn C. Matthews:

Atwater Ballentine Bernstein

Cobb-Hunter Cole Crosby

Erickson Finlay Govan

Hardwick Henegan Herbkersman

Hixon Horne Howard

Huggins Knight Limehouse

McCoy McKnight M. S. McLeod

Murphy Parks Quinn

Sandifer J. E. Smith Sottile

Southard Stavrinakis Tinkler

Wells

**Total--31**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 36

Total number of Representatives voting 101

Grand Total 137

Necessary to a choice 69

Of which Harold W. Funderburk, Jr. received 87

Of which Carolyn C. Matthews received 50

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Harold W. Funderburk, Jr. was elected to the position of Judge, Administrative Law Court, Seat #3 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election of a Administrative Law Court Judge, Seat #4**

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

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

 Senator LARRY MARTIN placed the name of the Honorable Deborah B. Durden 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 Deborah B. Durden was elected to the position of Judge, Administrative Law Court, Seat #4 for the term to expire June 30, 2015.

**Election to the Board of Trustees for**

**Coastal Carolina University, At-Large, Seat #12**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to a position on the Board of Trustees for the Coastal Carolina University, at-large, Seat #12.

 Senator PEELER, Chairman of the Committee to Screen Candidates for State Colleges and Universities, indicated that Alan Connie, Carl H. Schwartzkopf, Todd Setzer and Delan Stevens had been screened and found qualified to serve and placed their names in nomination.

 On motion of Senator PEELER, with unanimous consent, the name of Todd Setzer was withdrawn from consideration.

 On motion of Senator PEELER, the names of Alan Connie, Carl H. Schwartzkopf and Delan Stevens 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 Alan Connie:

Scott

**Total--1**

 The following named Senators voted for Carl H. Schwarzkopf:

**Total--0**

 The following named Senators voted for Delan Stevens:

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campbell

Campsen Cleary Coleman

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Grooms Hembree Jackson

Johnson Kimpson Leatherman

Lourie Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey Matthews

McElveen Nicholson O'Dell

Peeler Pinckney Rankin

Reese Sabb Setzler

Shealy Sheheen Thurmond

Turner Verdin Williams

Young

**Total--43**

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

 The following named Representatives voted for Alan Connie:

Alexander Allison Anderson

Atwater Ballentine Bamberg

Bannister Bedingfield Bingham

R. L. Brown Burns Chumley

Clary Clemmons Clyburn

Cole Collins Corley

H. A. Crawford Delleney Erickson

Felder Forrester Funderburk

Gagnon Gambrell Gilliard

Govan Hamilton Hardwick

Henderson Hicks Hiott

Hixon Horne Hosey

Kennedy Limehouse Loftis

Long Lowe Lucas

Mack McCoy McEachern

D. C. Moss V. S. Moss Murphy

Nanney Norman Ott

Pitts Pope Norrell

Putnam Quinn Riley

Rivers Rutherford Sandifer

Simrill G. M. Smith G. R. Smith

Sottile Spires Stavrinakis

Tallon Taylor Thayer

Tinkler Toole Weeks

Wells White Whitmire

Willis Yow

**Total--77**

 The following named Representatives voted for Carl H. Schwarzkopf:

**Total--0**

 The following named Representatives voted for Delan Stevens:

Bernstein Bowers Bradley

G. A. Brown Cobb-Hunter Crosby

Daning Dillard Douglas

Finlay George Goldfinch

Hardee Hart Hayes

Henegan Hill Hodges

Howard Huggins Jefferson

Johnson King Kirby

Knight W. J. McLeod Merrill

Mitchell Neal Newton

Parks Ridgeway Robinson-Simpson

Southard Whipper Williams

**Total--36**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 44

Total number of Representatives voting 113

Grand Total 157

Necessary to a choice 79

Of which Alan Connie received 78

Of which Carl H. Schwarzkopf received 0

Of which Delan Stevens received 79

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Delan Stevens was elected to the position on the Board of Trustees for the Coastal Carolina University, at-large, Seat #12 for a term to expire June 30, 2017.

**Election to the Board of Trustees for**

**College of Charleston, At-Large, Seat #15**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to a position on the Board of Trustees for the College of Charleston, at-large, Seat #15.

 Senator PEELER, Chairman of the Committee to Screen Candidates for State Colleges and Universities, indicated that R. Michael Bryant, Randolph R. Lowell, Steve Swanson, Gary W. Thomas and Scott Woods had been screened and found qualified to serve and placed their names in nomination.

 On motion of Senator PEELER, with unanimous consent, the names of R. Michael Bryant, Steve Swanson, and Scott Woods were withdrawn from consideration.

 On motion of Senator PEELER, the names of Randolph R. Lowell and Gary W. Thomas 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 Randolph R. Lowell:

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Campbell Campsen

Cleary Corbin Courson

Cromer Davis Fair

Grooms Jackson Johnson

Kimpson Leatherman Lourie

Malloy *Martin, Larry* Massey

Matthews McElveen Nicholson

O'Dell Peeler Pinckney

Rankin Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

Sheheen Thurmond Turner

Williams Young

**Total--38**

 The following named Senators voted for Gary W. Thomas:

**Total--0**

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

 The following named Representatives voted for Randolph R. Lowell:

Alexander Allison Atwater

Bales Ballentine Bamberg

Bannister Bernstein Bingham

Bowers 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

Funderburk Gagnon Gambrell

George Gilliard Goldfinch

Govan Hamilton Hardee

Hardwick Hart Hayes

Henegan Herbkersman Hicks

Hiott Hixon Hodges

Horne Hosey Howard

Huggins Jefferson Johnson

Kennedy King Kirby

Knight Loftis Long

Lucas Mack McCoy

McEachern McKnight M. S. McLeod

W. J. McLeod Merrill Mitchell

D. C. Moss V. S. Moss Murphy

Nanney Neal Newton

Norman Ott Parks

Pitts Pope Norrell

Putnam Quinn Ridgeway

Riley Rivers Robinson-Simpson

Sandifer Simrill G. M. Smith

G. R. Smith Sottile Southard

Spires Stavrinakis Stringer

Tallon Taylor Thayer

Tinkler Toole Weeks

Wells Whipper White

Whitmire Williams Willis

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**Total--112**

 The following named Representatives voted for Gary W. Thomas:

Bradley

**Total--1**

**RECAPITULATION**

Total number of Senators voting 38

Total number of Representatives voting 113

Grand Total 151

Necessary to a choice 76

Of which Randolph R. Lowell received 150

Of which Gary W. Thomas received 1

 Whereupon, the PRESIDENT announced that the Honorable Randolph R. Lowell was elected to the position on the Board of Trustees for the College of Charleston, at-large, Seat #15 for a term to expire June 30, 2018.

**Election to the Board of Trustees for**

**Lander University, 1st Congressional District, Seat #1**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to a position on the Board of Trustees for Lander University, 1st Congressional District, Seat #1.

 Senator PEELER, Chairman of the Committee to Screen Candidates for State Colleges and Universities, indicated Mr. Cary C. Corbitt had been screened and found qualified to serve and placed his name in nomination.

 Senator PEELER 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 Cary C. Corbitt was elected to the position on the Board of Trustees for Lander University, 1st Congressional District, Seat #1, for a term to expire June 30, 2016.

**Election to the Board of Trustees for**

**South Carolina State University, At-Large, Seat #10**

 The PRESIDENT announced that nominations were in order to elect a successor to a position on the Board of Trustees for South Carolina State University, at-large, Seat #10.

 Senator PEELER, Chairman of the Committee to Screen Candidates for State Colleges and Universities, indicated that Constance Nelson Barnes, Tammy Adams Kelly and Vernon L. Pryor had been screened and found qualified to serve and placed their names in nomination.

 On motion of Senator PEELER, with unanimous consent, the names of Constance Nelson Barnes and Vernon L. Pryor were withdrawn from consideration.

 On motion of Senator PEELER, the name of Tammy Adams Kelly was placed in nomination.

 Senator PEELER 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 Tammy Adams Kelly was elected to the position on the Board of Trustees for the South Carolina State University, at-large, Seat #10 for a term to expire June 30, 2018.

 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.

**Motion Adopted**

 On motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate agreed to recede until 2:30 P.M.

 At 2:45 P.M., the Senate resumed.

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

 The Senate reassembled at 2:45 P.M. and was called to order by the PRESIDENT.

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

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following appointments were transmitted by the Honorable Nikki Randhawa Haley:

**Statewide Appointments**

Initial Appointment, Director of Department of Juvenile Justice, with term coterminous with Governor

Director:

Sylvia L. Murray, 204 Stamport Circle, Irmo, SC 29063 *VICE* Margaret Barber

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Initial Appointment, Director of Department of Health and Environmental Control, with the term to commence March 6, 2012, and to expire March 6, 2016

Director:

Eleanor L. Kitzman, 700 Woodrow Street, Number 700, Columbia, SC 29205 *VICE* Catherine Templeton

Referred to the Committee on Medical Affairs.

**Doctor of the Day**

 Senator McELVEEN introduced Dr. Gary Culbertson of Sumter, S.C., Doctor of the Day.

**Leave of Absence**

 At 2:52 P.M., Senator CLEARY requested a leave of absence beginning at 5:00 P.M.

**Leave of Absence**

 At 2:54 P.M., Senator CROMER requested a leave of absence for Senator HAYES for today and tomorrow.

**Leave of Absence**

 At 5:00 P.M., Senator THURMOND requested a leave of absence for the balance of the day.

 **Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator SHEHEEN rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator NICHOLSON rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Remarks by Senator NICHOLSON**

 Mr. PRESIDENT, lady and gentlemen of the Senate. I just want to take a few minutes of your time to speak on an item of personal interest. We all are very supportive of our veterans. They are the ones that fought for the freedoms here in our country. We are very appreciative of veterans who gave their lives in various wars for us.

 The reason I mention this is because I have introduced a Joint Resolution in reference to a monument we have in Greenwood. The monument is owned by the American Legion. They dedicated the monument years ago and it lists those individuals who died in WWI and WWII, who gave their lives, but they have those individuals listed as white and colored.

 I never served in the military, but I have a brother who graduated from Benedict College in May 1963. He volunteered for the military to go to Vietnam, and I think that was very courageous. You think about 1963, what the conditions were stateside, especially for blacks, not considered as full citizens, but he went to Vietnam. He earned a Purple Heart and is now buried in the Arlington National Cemetery because of his courageous service in Vietnam with the 101st Airborne Division. I remember when he came back, he was never the same. His friends say that if he was around when a car backfired he would run for cover. The war really affected him, but I also remember him telling stories of how people who were not considered first class citizens here in America during that time, were treated equally in Vietnam.

 Those bullets did not distinguish between white or colored. They all fought together and when he came back here there was division. I think those individuals who fought in those wars should be listed the way they served, together. There should not be a differentiation between white, or colored, or any race. I think everyone who died should be listed on the monument in alphabetical order, so that is what we are trying to do with a monument in Greenwood.

 I know there is a state statute stating that if you have any type of war monument that is located on state property, or a subdivision of the State, that monument cannot be altered in any way or form. The monument is located on the city’s property in Greenwood, so it cannot be altered. However, Greenwood Mayor Welborn Adams has launched a campaign to replace the plaques. He went to the American Legion and they agreed to have the plaques changed. He set out on a mission, he raised about $15,000 to have the plaques changed and list the names alphabetically. He raised the money and got the plaques made, but due to the statute, they can’t be put on the monument. We have to make sure those plaques can be displayed. What he wants to do is take the original plaques and put them in a museum we have in town, and put the new plaques with the names listed alphabetically in their place. When they fought over there, there was no differentiation. They fought for all of our rights. I think it is the right thing to do, so I have drafted S. 383, a Joint Resolution. I think it is with Judiciary now, and I will ask for your support, because when it comes down to fighting for the same thing they are united during battle and should be united in memorial. I ask for your support when this comes about. Thank you, Mr. PRESIDENT.

 On motion of Senator SCOTT, with unanimous consent, the remarks of Senator NICHOLSON were ordered printed in the Journal.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator RANKIN rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator SHEHEEN rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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

S. 193 Sen. Grooms, Campbell

S. 21 Sen. Campbell

S. 47 Sen. Thurmond

S. 376 Sen. Campsen

S. 198 Sen. Verdin

**Motion Adopted**

 On motion of Senator SETZLER, with unanimous consent, the Senate agreed to go into Executive Session.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

 The following were introduced:

 S. 407 -- Senator Bryant: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 41-27-265(A) AND (B) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE CORPORATE OFFICERS EXEMPTION FROM UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS ABSENT EMPLOYER ELECTION, TO PROVIDE THAT CORPORATE OFFICERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS UNLESS THE CORPORATION ELECTS TO OPT OUT OF THE COVERAGE AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE OPT OUT PROCESS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE SECTION ALSO APPLIES TO INDIVIDUALS WHO OWN TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OR MORE STOCK IN A CORPORATION OR OTHERWISE EXERCISE AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN A CORPORATION, TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS WITH A TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN ANY OTHER BUSINESS ENTITY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS UNLESS THE BUSINESS ENTITY ELECTS TO OPT OUT OF THE COVERAGE; TO AMEND CHAPTER 41, TITLE 41 TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN CHAPTERS 27 THROUGH 41 OF TITLE 41 AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry.

 S. 408 -- Senator Campbell: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 9, CHAPTER 35, TITLE 11 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE STATE PROCUREMENT CODE, BY ADDING A SUBARTICLE TO PROVIDE THAT PIPING MATERIAL PROCUREMENTS FOR CERTAIN PROJECTS CONSIDER PIPING MATERIAL THAT MEETS CERTAIN CURRENT AND RECOGNIZED STANDARDS, AND THAT THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR THESE MATERIALS PROVIDES MAXIMUM OPEN AND FREE COMPETITION.

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

 S. 409 -- Senators Bryant and Grooms: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 19 TO CHAPTER 23, TITLE 58 SO AS TO PROVIDE A CITATION; TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; TO PROVIDE EXCLUSIONS; TO EXCLUDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS FROM REGULATION AS MOTOR VEHICLE CARRIERS BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OR THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF, TO SPECIFY THE SCOPE AND NATURE OF THEIR SERVICES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES ARE NOT CONSIDERED OWNERS, OPERATORS, OR MANAGERS OF VEHICLES USED BY THEIR DRIVERS; TO PROVIDE A PERSON SHALL NOT OPERATE A TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY WITHOUT FIRST HAVING OBTAINED A PERMIT FROM THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF, TO PROVIDE THAT THE OFFICE SHALL ISSUE SUCH PERMITS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES OPERATING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT MAY CONTINUE TO OPERATE FOR SIXTY DAYS WHILE OBTAINING A PERMIT; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES TO OBTAIN A PERMIT; TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES MAY DETERMINE AND CHARGE A FARE FOR ITS SERVICES BUT MUST DISCLOSE ITS FARE CALCULATION METHOD AND PROVIDE FARE ESTIMATES IN A CERTAIN MANNER; TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL DISPLAY PICTURES OF ITS DRIVERS AND VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES TO PROSPECTIVE PASSENGERS IN A CERTAIN MANNER; TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL TIMELY TRANSMIT ELECTRONIC RECEIPTS INCLUDING SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO PASSENGERS; TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS AND ON INSURERS OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS; TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT CERTAIN ZERO TOLERANCE POLICIES CONCERNING ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE BY TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES MUST MEET BEFORE PERMITTING AN INDIVIDUAL TO OPERATE AS A TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVER, AND TO SPECIFY BASES FOR DENYING A PERMIT; TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS MAY ONLY ACCEPT RIDES BOOKED THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY AND MAY NOT SOLICIT OR ACCEPT STREET HAILS; TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT CERTAIN POLICIES PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION AND SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE NONDISCRIMINATION LAWS, AND TO IMPOSE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE TREATMENT OF PASSENGERS REQUESTING OR NEEDING WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLES; TO IMPOSE CERTAIN RECORDKEEPING AND PASSENGER INFORMATION PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS ON TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS BY THIS ACT.

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 Senator BRYANT spoke on the Bill.

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

 S. 410 -- Senators Leatherman, O'Dell, Nicholson, S. Martin, Campbell and Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-2, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PURPOSE OF CHAPTER 22, TITLE 40 CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION OF ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING IS SUBJECT TO REGULATION BY THIS STATE; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-10, RELATING TO THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD, REDEFINE, AND DELETE DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-30, RELATING TO ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED WITHOUT A LICENSE, SO AS TO PROHIBIT BROKERING OR COORDINATING ENGINEERING OR SURVEYING SERVICES FOR A FEE; BY ADDING SECTION 40-22-35 SO AS TO SPECIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH A REGISTERED ENGINEER OR SURVEYOR MAY NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT FOR HIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-50, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE BOARD, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN AND UPDATE, RATHER THAN ANNUALLY PREPARE, A ROSTER OF INFORMATION CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-60, RELATING TO THE DUTY OF THE BOARD TO PROMULGATE CERTAIN REGULATIONS, SO AS TO UPDATE A CROSS REFERENCE; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-75, RELATING TO EMERGENCY WAIVER OF LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO LIMIT APPLICATION OF THIS WAIVER TO DECLARED NATIONAL OR STATE EMERGENCIES, AND TO PROVIDE A WAIVER MAY NOT EXCEED NINETY DAYS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-110, RELATING TO THE AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION OF THE LICENSE OF MENTALLY INCOMPETENT PERSONS, SO AS TO DELETE A REDUNDANCY; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-220, RELATING TO ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE AS AN ENGINEER, SO AS TO REVISE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-222, RELATING TO LICENSING OF EXISTING ENGINEERS, SO AS TO ADD AN OPTIONAL ACCREDITATION SOURCE FOR AN EDUCATION REQUIREMENT; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-225, RELATING TO ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE AS A SURVEYOR, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-230, RELATING TO APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-250, RELATING TO A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION TO PRACTICE AS A FIRM, SO AS TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CERTIFICATE AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS THROUGH WHICH A LICENSEE MAY MAINTAIN A BRANCH OFFICE; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-260, RELATING TO TEMPORARY LICENSES, SO AS TO REVISE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THE DEPARTMENT MAY GRANT A TEMPORARY LICENSE TO AN OUT-OF-STATE FIRM, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION OF PLANS PRODUCED AND SUBMITTED FOR PERMITTING BY A PERSON HOLDING A TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-270, RELATING TO SEALS OF LICENSEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE SEAL AND SIGNATURE OF A LICENSEE ON A DOCUMENT CONSTITUTES A CERTIFICATION THAT THE DOCUMENT WAS PREPARED BY THE LICENSEE OR UNDER HIS DIRECT SUPERVISION, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-280, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO EXCEPTIONS FROM THE APPLICABILITY OF THE CHAPTER, SO AS TO MODIFY THE EXEMPTIONS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-22-290, RELATING TO TIER A SURVEYING, SO AS TO EXEMPT THE CREATION OF NONTECHNICAL MAPS.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry.

 S. 411 -- Senator Cleary: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 53-3-200 SO AS TO DESIGNATE THE MONTH OF OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS "ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH" IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

 S. 412 -- Senators Shealy, Massey and Davis: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 1, TITLE 10 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY, BY ADDING SECTION 10-1-220 SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE NAMING OF PUBLIC PROPERTY PURCHASED OR CONSTRUCTED WITH STATE FUNDS OR OWNED BY THE STATE FOR ANY ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL, COMMISSIONER, DIRECTOR, OR JUDGE UNTIL AT LEAST FIVE YEARS AFTER THE PERSON HAS DIED, TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC PROPERTY PURCHASED OR CONSTRUCTED WITH STATE FUNDS OR OWNED BY THE STATE MAY BE NAMED FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AT LARGE; TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC PROPERTY NAMED AFTER AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL, COMMISSIONER, DIRECTOR, OR JUDGE AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2015, MAY RETAIN THE NAME, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A LIVING PERSON AFTER WHOM PUBLIC PROPERTY IS NAMED WHO IS SUBSEQUENTLY CONVICTED OF OR HAS PLED GUILTY TO A FELONY OR CRIME OF MORAL TURPITUDE SHALL HAVE THEIR NAME REMOVED.

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

 S. 413 -- Senators Cleary, Leatherman, Bryant, Johnson, Campbell, Peeler, Fair and Shealy: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-43-190, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PROTOCOL FOR PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER INFLUENZA VACCINES AND CERTAIN MEDICATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR CREATING PROTOCOL THROUGH WHICH PHARMACISTS MAY ADMINISTER CERTAIN VACCINES WITHOUT A WRITTEN ORDER OR PRESCRIPTION FROM A PRACTITIONER, TO PROVIDE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH A PHARMACY INTERN MAY ADMINISTER VACCINATIONS, TO REVISE RECORD-KEEPING REQUIREMENTS TO EXTEND THE PERIOD FOR MAINTAINING RECORDS AND SPECIFY THE MANNER OF DETERMINING THE DATE FROM WHICH THIS PERIOD IS MEASURED, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTRONIC STORAGE OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS, RECORDS, AND COPIES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-43-200, RELATING TO THE JOINT PHARMACIST ADMINISTERED INFLUENZA VACCINES COMMITTEE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Medical Affairs.

 S. 414 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE WILLIE EDWARD MCCLEOD FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 415 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE JAMES FRANK WELLS FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 416 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MACK CARTIER WORKMAN FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 417 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE LATE ROBERT LEWIS MCCULLOUGH FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 418 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE WILLIE THOMAS "DUB" MASSEY FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 419 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE CLARENCE H. GRAHAM FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 420 -- Senators Courson, Jackson and Lourie: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA ON ITS OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS, TO HONOR THE INSTITUTION'S COMMITMENT TO QUALITY EDUCATION, TO WISH CONTINUED SUCCESS IN ALL OF THE SCHOOL'S FUTURE ENDEAVORS, AND TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 4, 2015, AS CAROLINA DAY AT THE STATE HOUSE.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 421 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE JOHN ALEXANDER GAINES FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 422 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE CHARLES TAYLOR FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS HE PROTESTED RACIAL SEGREGATION ALONG WITH THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE TO PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 423 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE DAVID "SCOOP" WILLIAMSON, JR. FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 424 -- Senators Johnson, Allen, Jackson, Kimpson, Malloy, Matthews, Nicholson, Pinckney, Sabb, Scott, Williams, Alexander, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Leatherman, Lourie, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, McElveen, O'Dell, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THOMAS WALTER GAITHER FOR HIS COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AS ONE OF THE "FRIENDSHIP NINE," TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARDSHIPS IMPOSED ON HIM AS A RESULT OF HIS CONVICTION FOR SITTING AT A WHITES-ONLY LUNCH COUNTER IN 1961 DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ERA, AND TO HONOR HIS SACRIFICE IN CHOOSING IMPRISONMENT OVER A FINE AS THE PRICE OF PROTEST AT THAT EVENT AS HE TOOK A STAND FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 H. 3035 -- Reps. Cobb-Hunter, Long, Burns, Chumley, Kirby, Hixon, Toole, Corley, Gagnon, Duckworth, Hardee, Johnson, Clemmons, Douglas, Ballentine, Tallon, Hodges, Henegan, Hiott, V. S. Moss, Dillard, Knight, Jefferson, Gilliard, Erickson and Riley: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 54 TO TITLE 48 SO AS TO ENACT THE "TAKE PALMETTO PRIDE WHERE YOU LIVE ACT", TO CREATE THE TAKE PALMETTO PRIDE WHERE YOU LIVE ACT COMMISSION UNDER THE AUSPICES OF, AND STAFFED BY, THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS MEMBERS, POWERS, AND DUTIES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP A STRATEGIC STATE PLAN FOR LITTER REMOVAL, REDUCTION AND PREVENTION, AND LITTER LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGH THE COORDINATION AND COOPERATION OF STATE AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, PRIVATE PROFIT AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESS, AND INDUSTRY TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMPONENTS OF THE PLAN; TO AMEND SECTION 24-23-115, RELATING TO PUBLIC SERVICE WORK AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION OR SUSPENSION OF A SENTENCE, SO AS TO DEFINE "PUBLIC SERVICE WORK" AS PARTICIPATING IN A LITTER REMOVAL PROGRAM OR ANOTHER LITTER PROGRAM UNDER THE COMMISSION UNLESS THE COURT FINDS THAT PARTICIPATION IN SUCH A PROGRAM IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THE OFFENDER; AND TO REPEAL CHAPTER 67, TITLE 44 RELATING TO THE "LITTER CONTROL ACT OF 1978" UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL.

 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry.

 H. 3118 -- Reps. Pitts and White: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 50-11-525 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS GOVERNING CERTAIN AREAS TO ESTABLISH SEASONS, DATES, AREAS, BAG LIMITS, AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS FOR HUNTING AND TAKING WILD TURKEY; BY ADDING SECTION 50-11-580 SO AS TO ESTABLISH MALE WILD TURKEY HUNTING SEASON AS MARCH 20 THROUGH MAY 5, DECLARE THE SATURDAY PRECEDING MARCH 20 OF EACH YEAR TO BE "SOUTH CAROLINA YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING DAY" AND PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING ON THIS DAY, TO PROVIDE A WILD TURKEY BAG LIMIT, TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CERTAIN WILD TURKEY RESOURCES INFORMATION INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE SEASON AND THE BAG LIMITS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 50-11-530, 50-11-540, AND 50-11-544, ALL RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES' REGULATION OF THE HUNTING OF WILD TURKEYS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEPARTMENT'S AUTHORITY TO REGULATE THE HUNTING OF WILD TURKEYS, TO ALLOW IT TO PROMULGATE EMERGENCY REGULATIONS FOR THE PROPER CONTROL OF THE HARVESTING OF WILD TURKEYS, TO REVISE THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING THE PROVISIONS THAT REGULATE THE HUNTING OF WILD TURKEYS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT ALL WILD TURKEY TRANSPORTATION TAGS MUST BE VALIDATED AS PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT BEFORE A TURKEY IS MOVED FROM THE POINT OF KILL; AND TO SUSPEND THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 50-11-520 UPON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ACT UNTIL NOVEMBER 7, 2018, WHEN SECTION 50-11-580 IS REPEALED.

 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry.

 H. 3193 -- Reps. Cole, Finlay, Newton, Pope, Anderson, Bales, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Felder, Funderburk, Hart, Knight, Lucas, Murphy, Norman, Norrell, Putnam, Rivers, Southard, Spires, Tallon, Taylor, Wells, Williams, Willis, Long, Henderson, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, McCoy, Clary, J. E. Smith, Hicks and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-1320, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ATTRIBUTION OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIFIC TYPES OF ELECTIONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE MANNER IN WHICH CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS ARE ATTRIBUTED TO A PRIMARY ELECTION AND TO A PRIMARY ELECTION RUNOFF.

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

 H. 3197 -- Reps. Finlay, Cole, Anderson, Bales, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Felder, Funderburk, Hart, Knight, Lucas, Murphy, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Pope, Putnam, Rivers, Southard, Spires, Tallon, Taylor, Wells, Williams, Willis, Bernstein, Long, Henderson, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, McCoy, Clary, M. S. McLeod, J. E. Smith, W. J. McLeod, Hicks and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-1308, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE CONTENTS OF CERTIFIED CAMPAIGN REPORTS OF CANDIDATES AND COMMITTEES, SO AS TO REQUIRE A CAMPAIGN REPORT TO BE FILED SEVENTY-TWO HOURS BEFORE AN ELECTION SHOWING CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND EXPENDITURES TO OR BY THE CANDIDATE OR COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING AT LEAST TWENTY DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION AND ENDING SEVENTY-TWO HOURS BEFORE THE ELECTION.

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

 H. 3200 -- Reps. Cole, Finlay, Newton, Pope, Anderson, Bales, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Felder, Funderburk, Hart, Knight, Lucas, Murphy, Norman, Norrell, Putnam, Rivers, Southard, Spires, Tallon, Taylor, Wells, Williams, Willis, Long, Henderson, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, McCoy, Clary, J. E. Smith, Hicks and Jefferson: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 8-13-756 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO USE OF OFFICIAL POSITION OR OFFICE FOR FINANCIAL GAIN, REPORTING OF PARTICULAR GIFTS, RESTRICTIONS ON FUTURE EMPLOYMENT AND RELATED PROVISIONS, DO NOT APPLY TO A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE OF AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION WHO PARTICIPATES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY THAT BENEFITS THE INSTITUTION AND THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, IF THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION RETAINS SOME ROYALTY RIGHTS TO THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY.

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

 H. 3472 -- Reps. Lucas, Pope, Delleney, White, Sandifer, Howard, Allison, Hiott and Clemmons: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO INVITE THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT, THE HONORABLE JEAN HOEFER TOAL, TO ADDRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION ON THE STATE OF THE JUDICIARY AT 12:00 NOON ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2015.

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

 H. 3475 -- Reps. Ridgeway, 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, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hardwick, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, 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, 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 RECOGNIZE AND HONOR JOHN FRANKLIN THAMES, TEACHER AND COACH AT MANNING HIGH SCHOOL, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AFTER FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

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

 H. 3493 -- Reps. Douglas, 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, Duckworth, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hardwick, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, 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 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE RICHARD WINN ACADEMY EIGHT-MAN FOOTBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

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

 H. 3503 -- Reps. Kennedy, 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, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hardwick, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, 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 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE BILLY C. COLEMAN OF SALUDA COUNTY FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

 H. 3504 -- Reps. J. E. Smith, 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, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gambrell, George, Gilliard, Goldfinch, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hardwick, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hicks, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hodges, Horne, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, 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, Sottile, Southard, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Tinkler, Toole, Weeks, Wells, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR BRIGADIER GENERAL JIM C. CHOW, OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA AIR NATIONAL GUARD, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AFTER MORE THAN THIRTY YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

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

 H. 3505 -- Rep. Alexander: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CHAKA KHAN FOR HER OUTSTANDING CAREER AS A SINGER, SONGWRITER, ACTOR, AND ACTIVIST WHICH HAS SPANNED FIVE DECADES AND TO WELCOME HER TO THE PALMETTO STATE AS THE FEATURED ARTIST AT THE 2015 LEGENDS OF...CONCERT SERIES.

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

 H. 3506 -- Rep. Alexander: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE EXCEPTIONAL WORK OF THE AUNTIE KAREN FOUNDATION TO EMPOWER, ENLIGHTEN, AND EDUCATE THROUGH THE ARTS.

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

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

 Senator GROOMS from the Committee on Transportation submitted a favorable report on:

S. 21 -- Senators Grooms and Campbell: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56‑1‑222 SO AS TO EXPAND VISION STANDARDS AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW CERTAIN PERSONS WHO WEAR BIOPTIC TELESCOPIC LENSES FOR VISION ASSISTANCE TO OBTAIN A DRIVER’S LICENSE.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator GROOMS from the Committee on Transportation submitted a favorable report on:

 S. 174 -- Senator Leatherman: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION OF N. OLD GEORGETOWN ROAD AND HIGHWAY 378 THE “DEPUTY JOSEPH C. ANTWINE MEMORIAL INTERSECTION” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS INTERSECTION CONTAINING THE WORDS “DEPUTY JOSEPH C. ANTWINE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY”.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator GROOMS from the Committee on Transportation submitted a favorable report on:

S. 193 -- Senators Hutto, Campbell and Grooms: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 56‑1‑2080 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS FOR A COMMERCIAL DRIVER’S LICENSE, TO ESTABLISH THE INTRASTATE VISION WAIVER PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN VISUALLY IMPAIRED INDIVIDUALS MAY OBTAIN A WAIVER FROM THE SIGHT REQUIREMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH A COMMERCIAL DRIVER’S LICENSE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE WAIVER, THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH A WAIVER MAY GRANTED, AND THE PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING A WAIVER.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator GROOMS from the Committee on Transportation submitted a favorable report on:

S. 376 -- Senators Grooms and Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 55‑1‑80, RELATING TO THE GENERAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING AERONAUTICS, TO RESTORE THE PREVIOUS PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, TO PROVIDE FOR INCREASES OF THE MEMBERSHIP ON AN AVIATION AUTHORITY, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS; AND TO REPEAL ACT 130 OF 2007.

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**Appointment Reported**

 Senator O’DELL from the General Committee submitted a favorable report on:

**Statewide Appointment**

Initial Appointment, Director of Department of Social Services, with term coterminous with Governor

Virginia S. Alford, 201 Genessee Road, Irmo, SC 29063 *VICE* Ms. Lillian Koller

Received as information.

**Appointments Reported**

 Senator LARRY MARTIN from the Committee on Judiciary submitted a favorable report on:

**Statewide Appointments**

Initial Appointment, Juvenile Parole Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2018

At-Large:

Lesa T. Chandler, 3416 Refuge Road, Central, SC 29630 *VICE* Frank D. Wideman

Received as information.

Reappointment, Juvenile Parole Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2018

At-Large:

Oscar L. Douglas, 3405 Fletton Way, Summerville, SC 29485

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Foster Care Review Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2013, and to expire June 30, 2017

6th Congressional District:

Andrea D. McCoy, 334 Teague Park Court, Columbia, SC 29209 *VICE* vacant

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Commission for Minority Affairs, with the term to commence June 30, 2013, and to expire June 30, 2017

5th Congressional District:

William B. James, Jr., 1748 Cherokee National Highway, Gaffney, SC 29341 *VICE* Samuel Cerezo

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Commission for Minority Affairs, with the term to commence June 30, 2011, and to expire June 30, 2015

4th Congressional District:

Karen W. McGill, 150 Cheek Road, Spartanburg, SC 29303 *VICE* Ricardo J. Harris

Received as information.

Reappointment, South Carolina State Commission for Minority Affairs, with the term to commence June 30, 2015, and to expire June 30, 2019

4th Congressional District:

Karen W. McGill, 150 Cheek Road, Spartanburg, SC 29303

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Ethics Commission, with the term to commence June 30, 2013, and to expire June 30, 2018

2nd Congressional District:

Thomas M. Galardi, 140 Foxwood Drive, Aiken, SC 29803 *VICE* James Burns

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Foster Care Review Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2012, and to expire June 30, 2016

3rd Congressional District:

Daniel R. Bracken, Jr., 124 Omega Lane, Piedmont, SC 29673 *VICE* Carolyn Pinson (resigned)

Received as information.

**HOUSE CONCURRENCE**

 S. 393 -- Senator Bryant: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO DECLARE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015, AS “CITIES MEAN BUSINESS DAY” AND TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS SOUTH CAROLINA’S CITIES AND TOWNS MAKE TO OUR STATE’S ECONOMIC PROSPERITY THROUGH THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES.

 Returned with concurrence.

 Received as information.

**THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO A CALL OF THE UNCONTESTED LOCAL AND STATEWIDE CALENDAR.**

**READ THE THIRD TIME**

**SENT TO THE HOUSE**

The following Bill was read the third time and ordered sent to the House of Representatives:

 S. 342 -- Senator Hayes: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 38‑21‑225 SO AS TO REQUIRE FILING OF AN ANNUAL ENTERPRISE RISK REPORT BY THE ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PERSON OF AN INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY, AND TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CONTENT OF THE REPORT; BY ADDING SECTION 38‑21‑285 SO AS TO ENABLE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO PARTICIPATE IN CERTAIN SUPERVISORY COLLEGES, TO PROVIDE RELATED POWERS AND DUTIES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF RELATED EXPENSES; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY REGULATORY ACT, SO AS TO DEFINE THE TERM “ENTERPRISE RISK”; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑60, RELATING TO THE STATEMENT REQUIRED BY A PERSON SEEKING TO ACQUIRE CONTROL OF AN INSURER, SO AS TO IMPOSE CERTAIN NOTICE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑70, RELATING TO THE CONTENTS OF A STATEMENT THAT MUST BE FILED BY A PERSON SEEKING TO ACQUIRE CONTROL OF AN INSURER, SO AS TO REVISE THE CONTENT REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑90, RELATING TO APPROVAL BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE ACQUISITION OF CONTROL OF AN INSURER, SO AS TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS WHERE APPROVAL OF MORE THAN ONE COMMISSIONER IS REQUIRED, AND TO DEFINE THE TERM “COMMISSIONER”; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑110, RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT, SO AS TO INCLUDE EFFECTUATION OF THE DIVESTITURE OF A DOMESTIC INSURER WITHOUT APPROVAL BY THE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑125, RELATING TO ACQUISITIONS OF INSURERS EXEMPT FROM THE ACT, SO AS TO REMOVE CERTAIN ACQUISITIONS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL BY THE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE FROM THESE EXEMPTIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑130, RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF MEMBERS OF INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEMS, SO AS TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO AN INCORRECT REFERENCE; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑140, RELATING TO REQUIRED STATEMENTS OF REGISTERING MEMBERS OF INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEMS, SO AS TO ADD CERTAIN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND A STATEMENT CONCERNING THE GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROLS OF THE INSURER BY ITS BOARD, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑220, RELATING TO DISCLAIMERS OF AFFILIATION, SO AS TO DELETE LANGUAGE REGARDING CERTAIN REGISTRATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A DISCLAIMER MUST BE CONSIDERED GRANTED ABSENT CERTAIN NOTIFICATION BY THE DIRECTOR, AND TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR A DENIAL; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑230, RELATING TO FAILURE TO TIMELY FILE A REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AMENDMENT TO A REGISTRATION STATEMENT, SO AS TO INCLUDE ENTERPRISE RISK FILING; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑250, RELATING TO STANDARDS FOR TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN REGISTERED INSUREDS AND THEIR AFFILIATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AGREEMENTS FOR COST‑SHARING SERVICES AND MANAGEMENT MUST INCLUDE PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY REGULATION, TO INCLUDE AMENDMENTS OR MODIFICATIONS OF CERTAIN AFFILIATE AGREEMENTS AMONG TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING DOMESTIC INSURERS AND ANY PERSON IN AN INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEM THAT REQUIRES CERTAIN NOTICE TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS NOTICE, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑280, RELATING TO THE POWER OF THE DIRECTOR TO COMPEL PRODUCTION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM INSURERS, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑290, RELATING TO CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS TO MAKE THE INFORMATION PRIVILEGED AND NOT SUBJECT TO DISCOVERY OR THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR USE OF THIS INFORMATION BY THE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, AND TO PROVIDE NEITHER THE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE MAY BE REQUIRED TO TESTIFY ABOUT THIS INFORMATION IN A PRIVATE CIVIL ACTION; TO AMEND SECTION 38‑21‑340, RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS AND VIOLATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN VIOLATIONS MAY SERVE AS AN INDEPENDENT BASIS FOR THE DIRECTOR TO DISAPPROVE DIVIDENDS OR DISTRIBUTIONS AND FOR PLACING THE INSURER UNDER AN ORDER OF SUPERVISION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 38‑90‑160, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF TITLE 38 TO RISK RETENTION GROUPS LICENSED AS A CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill. The question being the third reading of the Bill.

 The Bill was read the third time and ordered sent to House.

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 196 -- Senators Hutto, L. Martin, Bryant, Campsen, S. Martin and Lourie: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 14‑7‑1610, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE STATE GRAND JURY SYSTEM AND LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND APPLICABILITY, SO AS TO INCLUDE CRIMES INVOLVING TRAFFICKING PERSONS IN THE PURVIEW OF THE STATUTE; TO AMEND SECTION 14‑7‑1630, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO JURISDICTION OF THE STATE GRAND JURY, SO AS TO INCLUDE CRIMES INVOLVING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS IN THE PURVIEW OF THE STATUTE; TO AMEND SECTION 16‑3‑2010, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR PURPOSES OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF “SEX TRAFFICKING”; BY ADDING SECTION 16‑3‑2100 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE POSTING OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER HOTLINE IN CERTAIN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS, PROVIDE LANGUAGE FOR THE POSTING, AND PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR THE FAILURE TO POST THE INFORMATION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 16‑3‑2050, RELATING TO THE INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE PREVENTION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TASK FORCE.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill, the question being second reading of the Bill.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 44; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campbell

Campsen Cleary Coleman

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Grooms Hembree Jackson

Johnson Kimpson Leatherman

Lourie Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey Matthews

McElveen Nicholson O'Dell

Peeler Pinckney Rankin

Reese Sabb Scott

Setzler Shealy Sheheen

Thurmond Turner Verdin

Williams Young

**Total--44**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The Bill was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 10 -- Senators L. Martin, Peeler, Courson, Campsen and Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 30-4-40(a), SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, 1976, RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS IN THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, TO REMOVE THE CAUSE OF DEATH BY A PERSON EXAMINED BY AN AUTOPSY FROM THE AUTOPSY EXCLUSIONS OF INFORMATION SUBJECT TO PUBLIC RELEASE IN THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT; AND TO AMEND SECTION 30-4-50 RELATING TO CATEGORIES SPECIFICALLY NAMED PUBLIC INFORMATION, TO INCLUDE REPORTS OF THE CAUSE OF DEATH FOR PERSONS EXAMINED BY AUTOPSY.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill, the question being the second reading of the Bill.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 43; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campbell

Campsen Cleary Coleman

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Grooms Hembree Jackson

Johnson Kimpson Leatherman

Lourie Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey Matthews

McElveen Nicholson O'Dell

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Sheheen Thurmond

Turner Verdin Williams

Young

**Total--43**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 The Bill was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**Motion Under Rule 26B Waived**

 Senator MALLOY asked unanimous consent to make a motion to waive the provisions of Rule 26B in order to allow an amendment to be considered on third reading.

 There was no objection.

**CARRIED OVER**

S. 3 -- Senators L. Martin, Shealy, Malloy, Courson, Fair, Turner, Lourie and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑10 OF THE 1976 CODE, TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑20 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO RESTRUCTURE THE CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES INTO DEGREES AND PROVIDE PENALTIES; TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑30, RELATING TO THE ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A PERSON CONVICTED OF A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSE, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON CONVICTED OF A CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSE OR A PERSON SUBJECT TO AN ORDER OF PROTECTION FOR DOMESTIC OR FAMILY VIOLENCE TO SHIP, TRANSPORT, OR RECEIVE A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION, AND TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO A PERSON TO WHOM THE STATUTE APPLIES; TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑65, RELATING TO CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OF A HIGH AND AGGRAVATED NATURE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE COURT MUST ORDER PARTICIPATION IN A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM AND ALLOW A RESTRICTION ON FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AS A CONDITION OF BOND; AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE PERSON, BY ADDING ARTICLE 18, TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMANENT AND EMERGENCY CIVIL NO‑CONTACT ORDERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DURATION OF CIVIL NO‑CONTACT ORDERS, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF CIVIL NO‑CONTACT ORDERS.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the Bill was carried over.

S. 350 -- Senators Campbell, Malloy, Setzler, Scott, Alexander, Hembree, O’Dell, Hayes, Grooms, Cleary, Williams, Bennett, Johnson, Hutto, L. Martin, Fair, Turner, Allen, Matthews, Peeler, Lourie, Courson, Coleman, Jackson, McElveen, Shealy, Sabb, Kimpson, Nicholson and Sheheen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF ACT 314 OF 2000, AS LAST AMENDED BY ACT 248 OF 2010 TO TERMINATE THE PROVISIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT ON JUNE 30, 2020.

 Senator O’DELL explained the Bill.

 On motion of Senator BRIGHT, the Bill was carried over.

S. 136 -- Senator Cleary: 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.

 On motion of Senator CLEARY, the Bill was carried over.

**ADOPTED**

 H. 3387 -- Reps. Clemmons, H.A. Crawford, Duckworth, Johnson, Goldfinch and Hardee: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE THAT UNIQUE AMERICAN DANCE FORM CALLED THE SHAG, SINCE 1984 THE OFFICIAL STATE DANCE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND TO DECLARE 2015 THE “YEAR OF THE SHAG DANCE” IN THE PALMETTO STATE.

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

**THE CALL OF THE UNCONTESTED CALENDAR HAVING BEEN COMPLETED, THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO THE MOTION PERIOD.**

**MOTION ADOPTED**

 At 4:08 P.M., on motion of Senator CROMER, the Senate agreed to dispense with the balance of the Motion Period.

**THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO THE INTERRUPTED DEBATE.**

**DEBATE INTERRUPTED**

S. 1 -- Senators L. Martin, Peeler, Hayes, Campsen, Courson, Malloy, Fair, Grooms and Hembree: A BILL TO ENACT THE “2015 ETHICS REFORM ACT”; TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS IN TITLE 2, RELATING TO LOBBYISTS AND LOBBYING; AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS TO AND AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 8, RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the perfecting amendment, the question being the adoption of the previously proposed Amendment No. P2B (S1.JS.MERIT.3), which was printed in the Journal of Tuesday, February 3, 2015.

 Senator SCOTT explained the perfecting amendment.

**Motion Adopted**

 Senator LEATHERMAN moved that the Senate stand adjourned.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 25; Nays 13**

**AYES**

Allen Bryant Campbell

Coleman Courson Cromer

Davis Hembree Jackson

Johnson Kimpson Leatherman

Lourie Malloy Matthews

McElveen Nicholson Pinckney

Rankin Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Sheheen

Williams

**Total--25**

**NAYS**

Alexander Bennett Bright

Campsen Corbin Fair

Gregory *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Peeler Verdin

Young

**Total--13**

 The Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

 Debate was interrupted by adjournment.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

 On motion of Senator SETZLER, the seal of secrecy was removed, so far as the same relates to appointments made by the Governor and the following name was reported to the Senate in open session:

**STATEWIDE APPOINTMENT**

**Confirmation**

Having received a favorable report from the Education Committee, the following appointment was taken up for immediate consideration:

Initial Appointment, John de la Howe School Board of Trustees, with the term to commence April 1, 2013, and to expire April 1, 2018

At-Large:

Melissa A. Tilden, 114 Sherwood Drive, Laurens, SC 29360 *VICE* Ted O. McGee

On motion of Senator COURSON, the question was confirmation of Melissa A. Tilden.

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campsen

Cleary Coleman Corbin

Courson Cromer Davis

Fair Gregory Grooms

Hembree Jackson Johnson

Kimpson Leatherman Lourie

Malloy *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Matthews McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Sheheen Thurmond

Turner Williams Young

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Melissa A. Tilden was confirmed.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

 On motion of Senators CAMPSEN and CROMER, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of Mr. Bruley Lyons of Edisto Beach, S.C. Mr. Lyons owned and operated Lyons Furniture Company in Barnwell, S.C. for many years. After selling the family business, he and his wife moved to Edisto Beach where they owned and managed The Lyons Company. He was very active in city government and was Mayor of Edisto for the past twenty years. He was a loving husband, devoted father and doting grandfather who will be dearly missed.

and

**MOTION ADOPTED**

On motion of Senator McELVEEN, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of Ms. May Sharp of Sumter, S.C. Ms. Sharp was a teacher and a compassionate and active volunteer in the civic and cultural life of Sumter for the Sumter Art Association, the Junior Welfare League, the Red Cross, Trinity United Methodist Church and Tuomey Hospital. She was a member of the Colonial Dames, Daughters Book Club and the Women’s Literary Club. She was a loving mother and good friend that will be dearly missed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

 At 5:53 P.M., on motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11:00 P.M.

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