**Tuesday, March 3, 2015**

**(Statewide Session)**

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The Senate assembled at 12:00 Noon, 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:

When Moses was summoned to serve the Lord God, Moses protested, saying:

“ ‘O Lord, please send someone else to do it’.” (Exodus 4:13)

Let us pray:

We are ever thankful, Holy God, for each of these Senators and for their faithful service to our State. South Carolina is continually being made stronger and better by the hard work, diligence and the collective wisdom of the Senate members who serve You here -- along with their dedicated staff members. Although there may well be those occasions when some of these leaders want to say “send someone else,” nonetheless, they hold their focus upon doing what has to be done and we are grateful for each of them. We pray this, Lord, in Your blessed and holy name. Amen.

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:

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**Leave of Absence**

At 12:24 P.M., Senator TURNER requested a leave of absence for Senator SHEALY for the day.

**Leave of Absence**

At 12:48 P.M., Senator MATTHEWS requested a leave of absence for Senator PINCKNEY for the day.

**Doctor of the Day**

Senator SETZLER introduced Dr. March E. Seabrook of West Columbia, S.C., Doctor of the Day.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senator SCOTT rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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

S. 304 Sen. Campbell

S. 475 Sen. Nicholson

S. 297 Sens. Bryant, Bennett

S. 485 Sen. Allen

S. 100 Sens. Davis, Corbin

S. 267 Sen. Bennett

**RECALLED**

S. 459 -- Senator Turner: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE GRADUATE SC AND ITS GOAL OF INCREASING AWARENESS OF HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS AND OF PREVENTING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM DROPPING OUT IN THE FUTURE AND TO PROCLAIM THE SECOND WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2015 AS “GRADUATION AWARENESS WEEK OF 2015”.

Senator COURSON asked unanimous consent to make a motion to recall the Senate Resolution from the Committee on Education.

The Senate Resolution was recalled from the Committee on Education and ordered placed on the Calendar for consideration tomorrow.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

The following were introduced:

S. 491 -- Senators Grooms, Matthews, Campbell, Bennett and Sabb: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND CATHY DIANNE COLLUM FOR TWENTY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CHARLESTON COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION AND TO WISH HER MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 492 -- Senator Alexander: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM MARCH 3, 2015, AS "CLEMSON DAY" IN SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO RECOGNIZE THE UNIVERSITY FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS STATE.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 493 -- Senator O'Dell: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 40-68-65 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE DETERMINATION OF TAX CREDITS AND ECONOMIC INCENTIVES BASED ON EMPLOYMENT WITH RESPECT TO CLIENT COMPANIES OF PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-68-55, RELATING TO THE ABILITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE TO PROVIDE BY REGULATION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF AFFIDAVIT OR CERTIFICATION OF APPROVAL OF QUALIFIED ASSURANCE ORGANIZATIONS, SO AS TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THESE FUNCTIONS BE PROVIDED BY REGULATION; TO AMEND SECTION 40-68-60, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT ORGANIZATION SERVICES AGREEMENTS BETWEEN PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSIGNED EMPLOYEES, SO AS TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT TERMS MUST BE ESTABLISHED BY WRITTEN CONTRACT, AND INSTEAD TO PROVIDE ORGANIZATIONS ONLY SHALL PROVIDE ASSIGNED EMPLOYEES WITH WRITTEN NOTICE OF HOW THE AGREEMENT AFFECTS THEM; TO AMEND SECTION 40-68-70, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT ORGANIZATION SERVICES AGREEMENTS BETWEEN PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS AND CLIENT COMPANIES, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT MUST BE ESTABLISHED BY WRITTEN CONTRACT; TO AMEND SECTION 40-68-150, RELATING TO CERTAIN PROHIBITED ACTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN THE SALE OF INSURANCE OR ACT AS THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATORS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE SPONSORING AND MAINTAINING OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ASSIGNED EMPLOYEES DOES NOT CONSTITUTE THE SALE OF INSURANCE; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 40-68-45 RELATING TO CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION.

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

S. 494 -- Senator Davis: A BILL AMENDING SECTION 56-5-4030 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO WIDTH OF VEHICLES, BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO OMIT BOATS AND BOAT TRAILERS WITH A WIDTH OF LESS THAN 120 INCHES AND USED NONCOMMERCIALLY FROM PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO SPECIFY CERTAIN TIMES OF DAY WHEN BOATS OR BOAT TRAILERS OF CERTAIN WIDTHS MAY BE TOWED AND TO REQUIRE THE USE OF CERTAIN VISIBILITY MEASURES FOR BOATS AND BOAT TRAILERS.

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

S. 495 -- Senators Lourie and Jackson: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE FAMILY CONNECTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA ON THE OCCASION OF ITS TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO COMMEND THE ORGANIZATION FOR ITS MANY YEARS OF COMPASSIONATE SERVICE TO FAMILIES OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTHCARE NEEDS AND DISABILITIES.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 496 -- Senators Scott, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Kimpson, Leatherman, Lourie, Malloy, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, Matthews, McElveen, Nicholson, O'Dell, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Sabb, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR BARBARA ANN DAVIDSON FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO YOUTH AND EDUCATION AND HER FINE COMMUNITY SERVICE AND TO CONGRATULATE HER UPON BEING NAMED A 2015 HONOREE OF THE LITTLE BLACK DRESS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 497 -- Senators Scott, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Kimpson, Leatherman, Lourie, Malloy, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, Matthews, McElveen, Nicholson, O'Dell, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Sabb, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO HONOR MAZIE G. LEWIS FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION AND THE ARTS AND FOR HER WIDE-RANGING COMMUNITY SERVICE AND TO CONGRATULATE HER UPON BEING NAMED A 2015 HONOREE OF THE LITTLE BLACK DRESS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**Appointment Reported**

Senator COURSON from the Committee on Education submitted a favorable report on:

**Statewide Appointment**

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2016

Independent College:

Evans P. Whitaker, 336 Kingsley Road, Anderson, SC 29621 *VICE* Rodney A. Smolla (resigned)

Received as information.

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

**READ THE THIRD TIME**

**SENT TO THE HOUSE**

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.

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.

**Statement by Senator REESE**

I would like to be recorded as voting “Aye” on third reading of S. 3. On second reading, I was involved with an upcoming snow storm back home in my district in the upper part of South Carolina, near North Carolina. I had to leave a few minutes early, therefore, I missed the second reading roll call vote.

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 373 -- Senator Setzler: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 9‑1‑1620, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE OPTIONAL FORMS OF RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES, SO TO ALLOW A MEMBER TO CHANGE THE FORM OF MONTHLY PAYMENT WITHIN FIVE YEARS OF A CHANGE IN MARITAL STATUS, INSTEAD OF ONE YEAR, AND IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, TO REQUIRE THE MEMBER TO REIMBURSE THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF ANY EXCESS PAYMENT RECEIVED.

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

Senator ALEXANDER explained the Bill.

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

**Ayes 38; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bryant Campbell Campsen

Cleary Coleman Corbin

Courson Cromer Davis

Fair Grooms Hayes

Hembree Hutto Jackson

Johnson Kimpson Leatherman

Lourie Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey Matthews

McElveen Nicholson O'Dell

Peeler Sabb Scott

Setzler Thurmond Turner

Verdin Young

**Total--38**

**NAYS**

Bright

**Total--1**

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

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 379 -- Senator Courson: A BILL TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 4 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO COUNTY TAX OFFICIALS; TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 37, RELATING TO THE ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 39, RELATING TO COUNTY AUDITORS; TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 43, RELATING TO COUNTY EQUALIZATION AND REASSESSMENT; TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 45, RELATING TO COUNTY TREASURERS AND THE COLLECTION OF TAXES; TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 49, RELATING TO ENFORCED COLLECTION OF TAXES GENERALLY; TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 51, RELATING TO ALTERNATE PROCEDURES FOR THE COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAXES; TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, CHAPTER 59, RELATING TO FORFEITED LANDS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12‑60‑1760, RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX PROTESTS.

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

Senator HAYES explained the Bill.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 1**

**AYES**

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**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Bright

**Total--1**

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

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ADOPTED**

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 398 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 22‑2‑5, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ELIGIBILITY EXAMINATION FOR MAGISTRATES, SO AS TO EXTEND THE TIME PERIOD FOR THE VALIDITY OF THE EXAMINATION SCORES FROM SIX MONTHS BEFORE AND SIX MONTHS AFTER THE TIME THE APPOINTMENT IS TO BE MADE TO ONE YEAR BEFORE AND ONE YEAR AFTER THE TIME THE APPOINTMENT IS TO BE MADE.

The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill.

The Committee on Judiciary proposed the following amendment (JUD0398.002) , which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, page 1, line 37, in Section 22‑2‑5(A), as contained in SECTION 1, by striking /one year / and inserting /two years/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Senator MASSEY explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

The question then was second reading of the Bill.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Campbell

Campsen Cleary Coleman

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**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

There being no further amendments, the Bill was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

H. 3519 -- Rep. Merrill: A BILL TO RATIFY AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7, ARTICLE XVII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION ON LOTTERIES AND THE EXCEPTIONS TO THIS PROHIBITION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY AUTHORIZE RAFFLES TO BE OPERATED AND CONDUCTED BY RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, OR ELEEMOSYNARY PURPOSES, AND BY GENERAL LAW MUST DEFINE THE TYPE OF ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT RAFFLES, TO PROVIDE THE STANDARDS FOR THEIR CONDUCT AND MANAGEMENT, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ANY OTHER LAW NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE PROPER FUNCTIONING, HONESTY, INTEGRITY, AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE RAFFLES ARE CONDUCTED.

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

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**AYES**

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**NAYS**

**Total--0**

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

**CARRIED OVER**

S. 304 -- Senators L. Martin, Alexander, Verdin, Hayes, Peeler, Cromer, Corbin, Nicholson, Rankin, Hembree, Williams, Coleman and Campbell: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 6‑23‑110, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, RELATING TO CONTRACTS TO BUY POWER BETWEEN A JOINT POWER AND ENERGY AGENCY AND ITS CONSTITUENT MUNICIPALITIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENEWAL OR EXTENSION OF CONTRACTS TO BUY POWER FOR ADDITIONAL PERIODS NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE RENEWAL OR EXTENSION.

Senator LARRY MARTIN explained the Bill.

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

S. 375 -- Senator Hayes: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 6‑5‑15, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SECURING DEPOSITS OF FUNDS BY LOCAL ENTITIES, SO AS TO ALLOW A LOCAL ENTITY TO DEPOSIT ALL OR A PORTION OF SURPLUS PUBLIC FUNDS IN ITS CONTROL OR POSSESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Senator HAYES explained the Bill.

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

**ADOPTED**

S. 485 -- Senators Malloy, L. Martin, Kimpson, Pinckney, Bryant and Allen: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE “STUDY COMMITTEE ON RACIAL PROFILING” TO REVIEW LAW ENFORCEMENT POLICIES, PRACTICES, AND PROCEDURES REGARDING RACIAL PROFILING AND MAKE A REPORT OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE LAWS REGARDING SUCH POLICIES, PRACTICES, AND PROCEDURES.

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

**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senator BRYANT rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senator DAVIS rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

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

**MADE SPECIAL ORDER**

S. 475 -- Senators Leatherman, Setzler, Courson, Matthews, Jackson, Hutto, O’Dell, Williams and Nicholson: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO REMOVE THE CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY AND DEVOLVE THE BOARD’S POWERS UPON A NEW APPOINTED BOARD, TO SPECIFY THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW BOARD, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL POWERS TO THE NEW BOARD, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE NEW BOARD SHALL SERVE UNTIL JULY 1, 2018, AT WHICH TIME ANOTHER BOARD SHALL BE ELECTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE CURRENT BOARD WAS ELECTED.

Senator CROMER moved that the Joint Resolution be made a Special Order.

Senator MALLOY argued against the motion.

Senator HUTTO argued in favor of the motion.

Senator JACKSON argued in favor of the motion.

Senator SETZLER explained the Joint Resolution.

The question then was the motion to make the Joint Resolution a Special Order.

The Joint Resolution was made a Special Order.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

At 1:31 P.M., on motion of Senator CROMER, the Senate agreed to dispense with the balance of the Motion Period.

**LOCAL APPOINTMENTS**

**Confirmations**

Having received a favorable report from the Senate, the following appointments were confirmed in open session:

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The Honorable James B. Jackson, Jr., 133 Wateree Drive, Santee, SC 29142

**Message from the House**

Columbia, S.C., March 3, 2015

Mr. President and Senators:

The House respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it has confirmed the appointment:

**MASTER-IN-EQUITY**

Reappointment, Orangeburg County Master-In-Equity, with term to commence August 14, 2015, and to expire August 14, 2021:

The Honorable James B. Jackson, Jr., 133 Wateree Drive, Santee, SC 29142

Very respectfully,

Speaker of the House

**Motion Adopted**

On motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

On motion of Senator COURSON, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of Dr. Clover Morrison Holly Gatling Wolf of Columbia, S.C. Dr. Wolf attended Duke University and graduated from the University of South Carolina, where she earned her Ph.D. at the age of 66. She was one of the first women to work in radio and later taught English at Midland’s Technical College. Dr. Wolf enjoyed children, animals, music and parties. She was a loving mother and devoted grandmother who will be dearly missed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:32 P.M., on motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 2:00 P.M.

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