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The House assembled at 11:45 a.m.

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

Our thought for today is from Zephaniah 1:7: “Be silent before the Lord God.”

Let us pray. Lord God, help us to be silent even for a little while so we may listen to what You have to say to us. Most of the time we are so busy we don’t stop to hear Your guidance and direction, so that we might discern Your will in our lives. We remember before You our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, staff, and all who serve here in this Chamber and in these Halls of Government. Protect our first defenders and those who defend us at home and abroad. Heal the wounds, those seen and those hidden, of our men and women who suffer and sacrifice for our freedom. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

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

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

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. DUCKWORTH moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Nathan P. “Nate” Johnson of Myrtle Beach, which was agreed to.

**COMMUNICATION**

The following was received:

April 10, 2017

The Honorable Charles F. Reid, Clerk

South Carolina House of Representatives

Post Office Box 11867

Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

Enclosed, please find the S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control’s (Department) designation of dronabinol [(-)-delta-9-trans tetrahydrocannabinol (delta-9-THC)] in an oral solution, also known by the brand name Syndros, into Schedule II of the South Carolina Controlled Substances Act. The Board has taken this action at its meeting on April 5, 2017, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 44-53-160(C), which authorizes the Department to designate a substance as a controlled substance by scheduling it in accordance with an order effecting federal scheduling as a controlled substance.

On July 1, 2016, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved a new drug application for Syndros, a drug product consisting of dronabinol [(-)-delta-9-transtetrahydrocannabinol (delta-9-THC)] oral solution. Thereafter, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) provided the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) with a scheduling recommendation that would result in Syndros (and other oral solutions containing dronabinol) being placed in schedule II of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA). In accordance with the CSA, as revised by the Improving Regulatory Transparency for New Medical Therapies Act, DEA is hereby issuing an interim final rule placing FDA-approved products of oral solutions containing dronabinol in schedule II of the CSA. DATES: The effective date of this rulemaking is March 23, 2017. [https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-03-23/pdf/2017-05809 .pdf](https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-03-23/pdf/2017-05809%20.pdf).

Whereas, the DEA interim final rule states that available data and information indicate that dronabinol [(-)-delta-9-trans tetrahydro-cannabinol (delta-9-THC)] in an oral solution, also known by the brand name Syndros, meets the necessary findings on the potential for abuse, currently accepted medical use in the United States, and physical or psychological dependence for placement in Schedule II.

The Department makes this notification in accordance with S.C. Code Section 44-53-160(C), requiring that the Department notify the General Assembly in writing of the change in federal law or regulation and of the corresponding change in South Carolina law. Schedule II controlled substances are found in S.C. Code Section 44-53-210.

As required by law, the enclosed Board Order has been posted on the agency website.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

David Wilson, Director

Legislative Affairs

Received as information.

**INVITATIONS**

On motion of Rep. BALES, with unanimous consent, the following were taken up for immediate consideration and accepted:

April 25, 2017

The Honorable Jimmy Bales

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the South Carolina Poultry Federation, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a legislative reception. This event will be held on May 2, 2017, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at The Oak Table, 1221 Main Street.

Sincerely,

Connie Smith

President, SC Poultry Federation

April 25, 2017

The Honorable Jimmy Bales

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the SC Association of Community Action Partnerships, Inc., the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a legislative breakfast. This event will be held on May 3, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in 112 Blatt.

Sincerely,

Jessica McMoore

Executive Director

April 25, 2017

The Honorable Jimmy Bales

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the Palmetto Conservation Foundation, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a legislative luncheon. This event will be held on May 3, 2017, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the State House Grounds.

Sincerely,

Mary B. Roe

Director Programs & Development

April 25, 2017

The Honorable Jimmy Bales

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the South Carolina Association for Justice, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a legislative reception. This event will be held on May 3, 2017, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at 1208 Washington Place.

Sincerely,

Lena Smith

Director of Membership & Development

April 25, 2017

The Honorable Jimmy Bales

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the South Carolina Future Minds, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a legislative reception. This event will be held on May 3, 2017, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.

Sincerely,

Debbie Jones

Administrator

April 25, 2017

The Honorable Jimmy Bales

Chairman, House Invitations Committee

503-A Blatt Building

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the American Petroleum Institute, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a legislative breakfast. This event will be held on May 11, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in 112 Blatt.

Sincerely,

Bonnie D. Loomis

Executive Director

**ROLL CALL**

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

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Arrington | Atkinson |
| Atwater | Bales | Ballentine |
| Bamberg | Bannister | Bennett |
| Bernstein | Blackwell | Bowers |
| Bradley | Brown | Burns |
| Caskey | Chumley | Clary |
| Clemmons | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Cogswell | Cole | Collins |
| Crawford | Crosby | Daning |
| Davis | Delleney | Dillard |
| Douglas | Duckworth | Elliott |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrest | Forrester | Fry |
| Funderburk | Gagnon | Gilliard |
| Govan | Hamilton | Hardee |
| Hart | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Hewitt | Hill |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hosey |
| Howard | Jefferson | Johnson |
| Jordan | Kirby | Knight |
| Loftis | Long | Lowe |
| Lucas | Mack | Magnuson |
| Martin | McCoy | McCravy |
| McEachern | McKnight | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Ott | Parks |
| Pitts | Pope | Putnam |
| Ridgeway | M. Rivers | S. Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford | Ryhal |
| Simrill | G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith |
| J. E. Smith | Sottile | Spires |
| Stavrinakis | Tallon | Taylor |
| Thayer | Toole | Weeks |
| West | Wheeler | Whipper |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Yow |  |

**Total Present--110**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. T. John Burrell of Irmo was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

"5.2 Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co‑sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co‑sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member’s or co‑sponsor’s written notification in the House Journal. The removal or addition of a name does not apply to a bill or resolution sponsored by a committee.”

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3521 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/25/17 | COBB-HUNTER |

**JOINT ASSEMBLY**

At 12:00 noon 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. 615 -- Senators Malloy, Setzler, McLeod, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Campbell, Campsen, Climer, Corbin, Cromer, Davis, Fanning, Gambrell, Goldfinch, Gregory, Grooms, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Kimpson, Leatherman, Martin, Massey, J. Matthews, M. B. Matthews, McElveen, Nicholson, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Rice, Sabb, Scott, Senn, Shealy, Sheheen, Talley, Timmons, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA WOMEN'S AND MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAMS AND COACHES FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON, TO INVITE THE WOMEN'S AND MEN'S GAMECOCK BASKETBALL TEAMS AND UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICIALS TO JOIN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION AT A DATE AND TIME SCHEDULED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, WHEREBY COACH DAWN STALEY IS INVITED TO ADDRESS THE JOINT SESSION, AND TO EXTEND THE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR DURING THE JOINT SESSION.

The University of South Carolina Women's Basketball Coach Dawn Staley and distinguished party were escorted to the rostrum by Senators Bright-Matthews, Malloy, Shealy, Setzler and Rankin and Reps. BERNSTEIN, B. NEWTON, HIOTT, J. E. SMITH, RUTHERFORD, SPIRES and COBB-HUNTER. The Lieutenant Governor recognized our special guests and then Rep. RUTHERFORD introduced the USC Women's Basketball Team, winners of the 2017 National Championship and Sen. Malloy introduced Coach Dawn Staley, who addressed the General Assembly as follows:

Thank you Lt. Governor Bryant, Senator Malloy, and Members of the House and Senate. I am so happy to be here today. It still seems a little surreal to me. It has just about three weeks, but feels like it was just yesterday that I was standing in the middle of the American Airlines Arena watching our players during the post-game celebration. It all seemed to happen so fast. Towards the end of the game, with about 40 seconds left, I was confident that we won! I vaguely remember shaking the hand of Vic Schaefer, the head coach of the Mississippi State Team. After which, all pandemonium broke out, with cheers, screams, hugs, and a lot of confetti, and through it all, I kept a watchful eye on our players. They were absolutely elated, pure and innocent and much deserving. Admittedly, it is not easy playing for me or being in our program, we ask a lot from our players. We ask that they work harder in the classroom than on the court. We ask that they sacrifice their time and their social life, and even ask them to give up their social media for the season. We ask that they make a difference in the community and always represent themselves and the team with dignity and respect. And they are of good character and most of all, that they always do things the right way. We do not make deals with the devil, take short cuts, or do anything halfway. We ask that our players give one hundred percent, and as the coaching staff, we do the same. We all work hard, so although that particular victory was one that eluded me my entire playing career, in that moment, my happiness came from watching our players being awarded for doing something the right way.

That night was beautiful, exhausting, and overwhelming and I was not able to sit down until we loaded the bus to head back to the hotel. There was chaos on the bus, emotions still running high, and my mind was racing. I thought about our road to that moment. Our season was riddled with injury and adversity, and our post season could have gone either way. I also thought about the awful tragedy that our State suffered in 2015. I will never forget when I received word that Governor Haley had set the wheels in motion to remove the Confederate flag from the State House grounds. I know that the real work happened here. You tackled an issue that was weighed down by history and marred by controversy. You put differences aside and worked together to craft a Bill that lead to the removal of the flag. You did it for the right reasons. Unfortunately, I was traveling with the USA Basketball Team when the Bill was signed and when the flag was removed. But, I immediately knew that we would be able to play women’s basketball tournaments here in South Carolina. I also made a promise to myself, that our program will honor those that died and their families, through our play. I hope that we made them proud.

You had no idea that the decision would fuel our momentum as national contenders. You could not have known that the momentum would ignite our fan base, who would become our sixth man, bringing us an almost perfect home record. You could not have known that we would play and win the SEC Tournament in Greenville, essentially, home games. You could not have known that two years later, our fans, who lead the Nation in attendance, would pack Colonial Life Arena in the first round games, giving us an immediate two game advantage and strengthening our determination to move forward. You could not have known that we would take that momentum into California to win more games. You could not have known that on April 2, 2017, from about 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., it would not matter your political affiliation, race, religion, gender, whether you were a Gamecock or Tiger fan. The State of South Carolina was unified and pulled for the home team. You could not have known that you would become Dream Merchants, you helped to make the dreams of our players, our staff, community, and State come true. You would help us to make history. Doing the right thing is always right. As hard as it is to make decisions in the world that has about a dozen platforms to publicly scrutinize that decision within seconds, holding fast to your convictions in the face of possible scrutiny is the right thing.

I stand here today as an African American woman to address the Joint General Assembly of South Carolina because I made the right decisions in a National Championship game. And in that game, our players did the right thing by not taking shortcuts. We are proof that right wins every time and so are you. I hope that my players know, as I am sure all of you do, that we are all in service for each other. Whether your particular cause, agenda, or game, it should always be for the good of others. Fight hard, stand strong in adversity, climb over obstacles, do the right thing and win! But know that your victories are not yours. We are only tools to His Will. The victories belong to Him, to God be the glory. Thank you so very much.

**JOINT ASSEMBLY RECEDES**

The purposes of the Joint Assembly having been accomplished, the PRESIDENT announced that under the terms of the Concurrent Resolution the Joint Assembly would recede from business.

The Senate accordingly retired to its Chamber.

**THE HOUSE RESUMES**

At 12:34 p.m. the House resumed, the SPEAKER in the Chair.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**H. 4132--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 4132 -- Regulations and Administrative Procedures Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION PROJECT PRIORITIZATION, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4683, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

Rep. HUGGINS explained the Joint Resolution.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 96; Nays 3

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anthony |
| Arrington | Atkinson | Bales |
| Ballentine | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bennett | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Burns | Chumley |
| Clary | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Cole | Collins | Crawford |
| Crosby | Daning | Davis |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Finlay | Forrest | Forrester |
| Gagnon | Gilliard | Govan |
| Hamilton | Hardee | Hart |
| Hayes | Henderson | Henegan |
| Hewitt | Hill | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Huggins | Jefferson | Johnson |
| Kirby | Knight | Loftis |
| Long | Lucas | Mack |
| Magnuson | Martin | McCoy |
| McCravy | McEachern | McKnight |
| D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss | Murphy |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Norrell |
| Ott | Parks | Pitts |
| Pope | Ridgeway | S. Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Ryhal | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Sottile | Spires | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Thayer | Thigpen |
| Weeks | West | Wheeler |
| Whipper | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Yow |

**Total--96**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Caskey | Jordan | Lowe |

**Total--3**

So, the Joint Resolution was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**S. 530--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 530 -- Senator Talley: A BILL TO AUTHORIZE THE PELHAM-BATESVILLE FIRE DISTRICT, WHICH PROVIDES FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES TO PORTIONS OF GREENVILLE AND SPARTANBURG COUNTY, TO ISSUE BONDS TO FINANCE CERTAIN NECESSARY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE AMOUNT AND PROCESS THROUGH WHICH THE BONDS MAY BE ISSUED.

Rep. HENDERSON moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, April 26, which was agreed to.

**S. 617--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 617 -- Senators McLeod, Setzler, Malloy, Massey, McElveen, Rice, Bennett, M. B. Matthews, Gregory, Timmons, Talley, Senn, Nicholson, Sabb, Jackson, Peeler, Davis, Alexander, Fanning, Sheheen and Grooms: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 56 OF THE 1976 CODE, BY ADDING ARTICLE 140, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHALL ISSUE "UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA 2017 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NATIONAL CHAMPIONS" SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.

Rep. ALLISON explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 102; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Arrington | Atkinson |
| Atwater | Bales | Ballentine |
| Bannister | Bennett | Bernstein |
| Blackwell | Bradley | Brown |
| Burns | Caskey | Chumley |
| Clary | Clemmons | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Crosby | Daning | Davis |
| Delleney | Dillard | Douglas |
| Duckworth | Elliott | Erickson |
| Felder | Forrest | Forrester |
| Fry | Gagnon | Gilliard |
| Govan | Hamilton | Hardee |
| Hart | Hayes | Henegan |
| Hewitt | Hill | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Huggins | Jefferson | Johnson |
| Jordan | Kirby | Knight |
| Loftis | Long | Lowe |
| Lucas | Mack | Magnuson |
| Martin | McCoy | McCravy |
| McEachern | McKnight | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Norrell | Ott |
| Parks | Pope | Ridgeway |
| S. Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford |
| Ryhal | Simrill | G. M. Smith |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Spires | Stavrinakis | Tallon |
| Taylor | Thayer | Thigpen |
| Weeks | West | Wheeler |
| Whipper | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Yow |

**Total--102**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**S. 415--RECALLED FROM COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

On motion of Rep. MURPHY, with unanimous consent, the following Bill was ordered recalled from the Committee on Judiciary:

S. 415 -- Senators Malloy and Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 62-1-112 SO AS TO CLARIFY THE PROBATE COURT'S AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE PENALTIES FOR CONTEMPT AND TO GRANT A MOTION FOR A PARTY TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS; TO AMEND SECTION 8-21-800, RELATING TO RELIEF FROM FILING FEES, COURT COSTS, AND PROBATE COSTS, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT THE PROBATE JUDGE MAY WAIVE FILING FEES FOR INDIGENT PERSONS IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER CIVIL CASES; TO AMEND SECTION 62-1-302, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION AND CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WITH FAMILY COURT, SO AS TO CLARIFY THE COURT'S JURISDICTION IN MATTERS INVOLVING THE ESTABLISHMENT, ADMINISTRATION, OR TERMINATION OF A SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS AND TO REVISE OUTDATED TERMINOLOGY; TO AMEND SECTION 62-1-401, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO NOTICE, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE NOTICE TO BE MADE BY A QUALIFYING COMMERCIAL DELIVERY SERVICE AND IS SIMILAR TO NOTICE BY REGISTERED MAIL OR CERTIFIED MAIL; TO STRIKE PARTS 1, 2, 3, 4, AND 7, ARTICLE 5, TITLE 62, AND TO ADD NEW AND REVISED PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF PERSONS UNDER DISABILITY AND THEIR PROPERTY, SO AS TO PROMOTE UNIFORMITY AMONG THE STATE'S FORTY-SIX PROBATE COURTS, TO SAFEGUARD ADEQUATE DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS FOR THE STATE'S ALLEGED INCAPACITATED INDIVIDUALS, TO ELIMINATE OVER RELIANCE UPON RESTRICTIVE FULL OR PLENARY GUARDIANSHIPS, TO REDUCE THE COSTS OF PROCEEDINGS, TO ESTABLISH CONSISTENCY BETWEEN GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP PROCEEDINGS, AND TO CREATE AN ADEQUATE SYSTEM FOR MONITORING GUARDIANS AND CONSERVATORS.

**H. 3720--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3720 -- Ways and Means Committee: A BILL TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS AND TO PROVIDE REVENUES TO MEET THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017, TO REGULATE THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Rep. WHITE moved to adjourn debate upon the Senate Amendments until Wednesday, April 26, which was agreed to.

**H. 3721--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Joint Resolution were taken up for consideration:

H. 3721 -- Ways and Means Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017, AND TO ALLOW UNEXPENDED FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS AND EXPENDED FOR THE SAME PURPOSES.

Rep. WHITE moved to adjourn debate upon the Senate Amendments until Wednesday, April 26, which was agreed to.

**H. 3221--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN AND BILL ENROLLED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3221 -- Reps. Allison, Collins, Felder, Daning, Govan, Taylor, Knight and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-20-90 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT A STATEWIDE PROGRAM FOR IDENTIFYING FISCAL PRACTICES AND BUDGETARY CONDITIONS THAT, IF UNCORRECTED, COULD COMPROMISE THE FISCAL INTEGRITY OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT AND FOR ADVISING THE DISTRICT ON HOW TO TAKE APPROPRIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, TO ESTABLISH THREE LEVELS OF FISCAL AND BUDGETARY CONCERNS WITH CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH EACH, AND TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION; AND BY ADDING SECTION 59-20-95 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE STATE AUDITOR TO ADOPT THE STATEWIDE PROGRAM CREATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN SECTION 59-20-90 AND USE IT TO IDENTIFY FISCAL PRACTICES AND BUDGETARY CONDITIONS THAT, IF UNCORRECTED, COULD COMPROMISE THE FISCAL INTEGRITY OF A STATE AGENCY THAT IS ALSO A LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY AND TO ADVISE THE STATE AGENCY THAT IS ALSO A LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY ON HOW TO TAKE APPROPRIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO ENABLE THE STATE AUDITOR TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT TO IMMEDIATELY ASSUME EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF THE STATE AGENCY THAT IS ALSO A LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY FOR WHICH IT HAS MADE A DECLARATION OF FISCAL CAUTION OR FISCAL EMERGENCY, TO CONTINUE THIS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF THE LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY UNTIL THE STATE AUDITOR RELEASES THE STATE AGENCY THAT IS ALSO A LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY FROM THE DECLARATION OF FISCAL CAUTION OR FISCAL EMERGENCY, AS APPLICABLE, AND TO DIRECT THE STATE AUDITOR TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

Rep. ALLISON explained the Senate Amendments.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 101; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Arrington | Atwater |
| Bales | Ballentine | Bannister |
| Bennett | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brown | Burns |
| Clary | Clemmons | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Collins | Crawford |
| Crosby | Daning | Davis |
| Delleney | Dillard | Douglas |
| Duckworth | Elliott | Erickson |
| Felder | Forrest | Forrester |
| Fry | Gagnon | Gilliard |
| Govan | Hamilton | Hardee |
| Hart | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Hewitt | Hill |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hosey |
| Howard | Huggins | Jefferson |
| Johnson | Jordan | Kirby |
| Knight | Loftis | Long |
| Lowe | Lucas | Mack |
| Magnuson | Martin | McCoy |
| McCravy | McEachern | McKnight |
| D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss | Murphy |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Norrell |
| Ott | Parks | Pitts |
| Pope | Ridgeway | S. Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford | Ryhal |
| Simrill | G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith |
| J. E. Smith | Sottile | Spires |
| Stavrinakis | Tallon | Taylor |
| Thayer | Thigpen | Weeks |
| West | Wheeler | Whipper |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Yow |  |

**Total--101**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

The Senate Amendments were agreed to, and the Bill having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification.

**H. 3999--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN**

The Senate Amendments to the following Concurrent Resolution were taken up for consideration:

H. 3999 -- Reps. Quinn, Atwater and Huggins: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES RENAME THE "HOPE FERRY LANDING" ON THE SALUDA RIVER THE "J. B. BARKER BOAT LANDING" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS OR MARKERS AT THIS LOCATION THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

Rep. ATWATER explained the Senate Amendments.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 101; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Arrington | Atwater |
| Bales | Ballentine | Bamberg |
| Bannister | Bennett | Bernstein |
| Blackwell | Bradley | Brown |
| Caskey | Clary | Clemmons |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Cole |
| Collins | Crosby | Daning |
| Davis | Delleney | Dillard |
| Douglas | Duckworth | Elliott |
| Erickson | Felder | Forrest |
| Forrester | Fry | Gagnon |
| Gilliard | Govan | Hamilton |
| Hardee | Hart | Hayes |
| Henderson | Henegan | Hewitt |
| Hill | Hiott | Hixon |
| Hosey | Howard | Huggins |
| Jefferson | Johnson | Jordan |
| Kirby | Knight | Loftis |
| Long | Lowe | Lucas |
| Mack | Magnuson | Martin |
| McCoy | McCravy | McEachern |
| McKnight | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Norrell |
| Ott | Parks | Pitts |
| Pope | Ridgeway | S. Rivers |
| Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford | Ryhal |
| Simrill | G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith |
| J. E. Smith | Sottile | Spires |
| Stavrinakis | Tallon | Taylor |
| Thayer | Thigpen | Toole |
| Weeks | West | Wheeler |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Yow |  |

**Total--101**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

The Senate Amendments were concurred in and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

**H. 3401--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 3401 -- Rep. Clemmons: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO MEMORIALIZE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND URGE THEM TO PROPOSE THE REGULATION FREEDOM AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

Rep. CLEMMONS moved to adjourn debate on the Concurrent Resolution until Wednesday, April 26, which was agreed to.

**H. 4142--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE**

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 4142 -- Reps. Knight, Arrington, Bennett, Jefferson, Mack, Murphy and Whipper: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION LOCATED AT THE JUNCTION OF LEGARE ROAD AND JIM BILTON BOULEVARD IN DORCHESTER COUNTY "CLAUDE MAJOR, JR. INTERSECTION" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS INTERSECTION CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

**S. 611--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE**

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

S. 611 -- Senators Corbin, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Campbell, Campsen, Climer, Cromer, Davis, Fanning, Gambrell, Goldfinch, Gregory, Grooms, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Kimpson, Leatherman, Malloy, Martin, Massey, J. Matthews, M. B. Matthews, McElveen, McLeod, Nicholson, Peeler, Rankin, Reese, Rice, Sabb, Scott, Senn, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Talley, Timmons, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO DECLARE APRIL 2017 AS "HOMESCHOOL RECOGNITION MONTH" IN SOUTH CAROLINA, TO RECOGNIZE THE DILIGENT EFFORTS OF HOMESCHOOLING PARENTS AND THE ACADEMIC SUCCESS OF THEIR STUDENTS, AND TO EXPRESS SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR THEIR FOCUS ON THE WELL-BEING AND OVERALL ACHIEVEMENTS OF THEIR CHILDREN.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

**S. 487--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE**

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

S. 487 -- Senator Jackson: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERCHANGE LOCATED AT THE JUNCTION OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS 126 AND 26 IN RICHLAND COUNTY "MILTON KIMPSON INTERCHANGE" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS INTERCHANGE CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

**RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR**

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

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

The following was received:

Columbia, S.C., April 21, 2017

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am transmitting the below appointments for the State Ethics Commission on behalf of the Senate in accordance with Section 8-13-310. This appointment is made with advice and consent of the General Assembly and is therefore submitted for your consideration.

State Ethics Commission

Term Commencing: April 1, 2017

Term Expiring: March 31, 2022

Seat: Senate - Minority

Mr. Donald Gist

511 Oakbrook Drive

Columbia, South Carolina 29223

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Senate,

Henry K. Leatherman, Sr.

President *Pro Tempore*

Referred to Ethics Committee

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

The following was received:

Columbia, S.C., April 20, 2017

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Senate respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it has requested and has granted free conference powers and appointed Senators Alexander, Fanning and Rice of the Committee of Free Conference on the part of the Senate on H. 3346:

H. 3346 -- Reps. Collins, Clary and Hiott: TO AMEND ACT 260 OF 1981, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE PICKENS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS FROM SIX TO SEVEN AND TO PROVIDE FOR SEVEN SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS BEGINNING WITH THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PROCEDURE FOR CLOSING A SCHOOL WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

Very respectfully,

President

**H. 3346--FREE CONFERENCE POWERS GRANTED**

Rep. CLARY moved that the Committee of Conference on the following Bill be resolved into a Committee of Free Conference and briefly explained the Conference Committee's reasons for this request:

H. 3346 -- Reps. Collins, Clary and Hiott: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 260 OF 1981, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE PICKENS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS FROM SIX TO SEVEN AND TO PROVIDE FOR SEVEN SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS BEGINNING WITH THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PROCEDURE FOR CLOSING A SCHOOL WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 93; Nays 1

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Arrington | Atwater |
| Bales | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bennett | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brown | Caskey |
| Clary | Clemmons | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Crosby | Daning | Davis |
| Delleney | Dillard | Duckworth |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrest | Forrester | Fry |
| Gagnon | Gilliard | Govan |
| Hamilton | Hardee | Hart |
| Hayes | Henderson | Henegan |
| Hewitt | Hiott | Hixon |
| Hosey | Howard | Huggins |
| Jefferson | Johnson | Jordan |
| Kirby | Knight | Lowe |
| Lucas | Mack | Martin |
| McCoy | McCravy | McEachern |
| McKnight | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Norrell |
| Ott | Parks | Pope |
| Ridgeway | S. Rivers | Robinson-Simpson |
| Rutherford | Ryhal | Simrill |
| G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith | Sottile |
| Spires | Tallon | Taylor |
| Thayer | Thigpen | Toole |
| Weeks | West | Wheeler |
| Whipper | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Yow |

**Total--93**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Hill |  |  |

**Total--1**

So, the motion to resolve the Committee of Conference into a Committee of Free Conference was agreed to.

The Committee of Conference was thereby resolved into a Committee of Free Conference. The SPEAKER appointed Reps. CLARY, HIOTT and COLLINS to the Committee of Free Conference and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

**H. 3346--FREE CONFERENCE REPORT ADOPTED**

**H. 3346--Free Conference Report**

The General Assembly, Columbia, S.C., April 20, 2017

The COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE, to whom was referred:

H. 3346 -- Reps. Collins, Clary and Hiott: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 260 OF 1981, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE PICKENS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF BOARD MEMBERS FROM SIX TO SEVEN AND TO PROVIDE FOR SEVEN SINGLE‑MEMBER DISTRICTS BEGINNING WITH THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PROCEDURE FOR CLOSING A SCHOOL WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

Beg leave to report that they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend:

That the same do pass with the following amendments:

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

/ SECTION 1. Act 260 of 1981, as last amended by Act 90 of 2011, is further amended to read:

“Section 1. Notwithstanding another provision of law, the Public Educational System of Pickens County is directed and managed by the Board of Trustees of the School District of Pickens County. ~~The~~ Beginning with the 2018 general election, the board must be comprised of ~~six~~ seven members, ~~all~~ each of whom must be a qualified ~~electors~~ elector ~~from each of~~ and each must reside in the single‑member district he represents. ~~districts for which members of the county governing body of Pickens County are elected~~ The lines defining the single-member districts are as shown on an official map on file with the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office designated as document S‑77‑00-17 and on file with the Pickens County GIS Mapping Department. ~~A current at‑large member holding Seat 7, 8, or 9 shall continue to serve until his term is ended or he vacates the at‑large seat for whatever reason, whichever occurs first. Upon the end of the term or the earlier vacation of the at‑large seat, that at‑large seat no longer exists.~~ This map must be used for the 2018 general election and to fill any vacancies that occur following the 2018 general election. Beginning with the 2022 general election, the seven single‑member districts must conform to the latest United States Decennial Census and be approved by statewide legislation amending this section in order to become effective. Only those electors residing in the particular district are eligible to vote for ~~each of~~ the ~~six single‑member trustees representing~~ trustee who will represent the district. ~~The~~ On the effective date of these provisions, the current trustees ~~from the single‑member districts~~ shall continue to serve until their four‑year terms expire and until their successors are elected and qualify. In the 2018 general election, trustees will be elected for single-member Districts 2, 4, 6, and 7. Each trustee residing in single-member Districts 1, 3, and 5 shall continue to serve as the trustee for the single-member district in which he resides until his term ends in 2020 and his successor is elected and qualifies or until his office is vacated, whichever occurs first.

The electors of the Dellwood Subdivision of the City of Clemson, Anderson County, as shown in Plat Book 1920, page 150‑A, Plat Book 12, page 266, and Plat Book 14, page 31, filed in the office of the Clerk of Court of Pickens County, shall be eligible to vote in the election of the member of the board of trustees for the nearest contiguous single‑member school district and shall be eligible to serve on the board for that district.

All members of the board of trustees must be elected in a nonpartisan election at the time of the general election in the year in which their terms expire.

Upon the termination of the term of each single‑member district trustee, his successor must be a qualified elector of the same district and must be elected in a nonpartisan election to be held at the same time as the general election preceding the expiration date by the qualified electors of the district for a term of four years and until his successor is elected and qualifies. If a single‑member district seat is vacated before the end of ~~its~~ the term, the seat must be filled for the remainder of the term by ~~way of~~ special election conducted in the same manner. The board of trustees shall elect a chairman and such other officers as it considers necessary.

Section 2. ~~If any of the five current trustees who reside in any particular area of the county but are elected at large shall offer for any of the seats created pursuant to Section 1 of this act, their seat shall be abolished. At the expiration of the term of one of the present at large seats, such seat shall be abolished.~~ Any action by the board of trustees to close any school in the school district requires consideration at three separate board meetings held on three separate days with a minimum of six days between each meeting. During at least one of the three meetings, the board of trustees must allow public testimony, and at least one of the three meetings must be held at the school to be closed or in a location within one mile of the school to be closed.

Section 3. ~~The current Pickens County Board of Trustees shall serve the remainder Of the term for which each member was elected. None of the current area trustee seats shall be filled in case of a vacancy and shall be abolished at the end of the current term of office.~~(A) Within sixty days after the vote by the board of trustees to close any school in the school district, a petition signed by the qualified electors of the school district equal in number to at least fifteen percent of the registered voters at the last preceding regular election for the board of trustees may be filed with the board of trustees requesting that any such vote be reversed.

(B) If the board of trustees fails to reverse the vote, the adoption or repeal of the vote must be submitted to the electors not less than thirty days nor more than one year from the date the board takes its final vote thereon. The board may, in its discretion, and if no regular election is to be held within such period, provide for a special election.”

SECTION 2. If any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such holding shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining portions of this act, the General Assembly hereby declaring that it would have passed this chapter, and each and every section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, and word thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words hereof may be declared to be unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise ineffective.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon approval by the Governor and shall be applicable (1) for the 2018 general election of Board of Trustees members, and (2) to school closure actions taken after the effective date of this act. /

Amend title to conform.

Sen. Thomas C. Alexander Rep. David R. Hiott

Sen. Mike Fanning Rep. Gary E. Clary

Sen. Rex F. Rice Rep. Neal A. Collins

On Part of the Senate. On Part of the House.

Rep. CLARY explained the Free Conference Report.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 89; Nays 1

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Arrington | Atwater |
| Bales | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bennett | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brown | Caskey |
| Clary | Clyburn | Cole |
| Collins | Crosby | Daning |
| Davis | Delleney | Dillard |
| Douglas | Duckworth | Elliott |
| Erickson | Felder | Forrest |
| Forrester | Fry | Gagnon |
| Govan | Hamilton | Hardee |
| Hart | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Jefferson |
| Johnson | Jordan | Kirby |
| Knight | Lucas | Mack |
| Martin | McCoy | McCravy |
| McEachern | McKnight | D. C. Moss |
| V. S. Moss | Murphy | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Norrell | Ott |
| Parks | Pope | Ridgeway |
| S. Rivers | Robinson-Simpson | Rutherford |
| Ryhal | Simrill | G. R. Smith |
| J. E. Smith | Sottile | Spires |
| Stavrinakis | Tallon | Taylor |
| Thayer | Thigpen | Weeks |
| West | Wheeler | Whipper |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Yow |  |

**Total--89**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Hill |  |  |

**Total--1**

The Free Conference Report was adopted and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

Rep. BALES, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

H. 4160 -- Rep. Long: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 417 IN GREENVILLE COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 14 TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH BROOKWOOD POINT PLACE "REVEREND CARLOS BLEASE WATSON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. BALES, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 572 -- Senator Jackson: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME RICHARD STREET IN RICHLAND COUNTY "DEACON JAMES KNOTTS STREET" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS STREET CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4164 -- Reps. Ott and Ridgeway: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO MEMORIALIZE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND TO URGE THEM TO PASS S. 829 TO REAUTHORIZE THE ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) AND STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT PROGRAM.

Rep. OTT asked for immediate consideration.

Rep. HILL objected.

Ordered referred to the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4166 -- Reps. Martin, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE MID-CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC CHALLENGE TEAM, ADVISORS, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2017 DIVISION II SOUTH CAROLINA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4167 -- Reps. Putnam, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR TARA MOORE OF ANDERSON COUNTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HER FOR BEING NAMED DISTINGUISHED YOUNG WOMAN OF AMERICA FOR 2016.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4168 -- Reps. Weeks, Williams, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC., FOR MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND AROUND THE WORLD AND TO WELCOME MEMBERS OF THE FRATERNITY TO THE STATE HOUSE ON MAY 3, 2017.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4169 -- Reps. Brown, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE CESURIAN "CEZ" CHAMPAGNE, BAPTIST HILL MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL HEAD COACH FOR BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL, ON BEING NAMED 2017 CLASS A REGION AAAA COACH OF THE YEAR.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4170 -- Reps. Brown, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE BAPTIST HILL MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM FOR CAPTURING THE 2017 CLASS A REGION AAAA CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO HONOR THE TEAM'S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4171 -- Reps. McCoy, Arrington, Bennett, Brown, Cogswell, Crosby, Gilliard, Hewitt, Mack, S. Rivers, Sottile, Stavrinakis, Whipper, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Magnuson, Martin, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Spires, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE CHARLESTON SCHOOL OF LAW ON WINNING THE 2017 NATIONAL TAX MOOT COURT CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Resolution was adopted.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4172 -- Reps. Funderburk, Bales, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO HONOR WEYLCHEM U.S. INC., OF ELGIN AT THE CELEBRATION OF ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY AND TO CONGRATULATE THE COMPANY ON HALF A CENTURY OF OUTSTANDING SUCCESS AND RECOGNIZE THE COMPANY'S SUBSTANTIAL INVESTMENT IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4173 -- Reps. Bernstein, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2017, "SOUTH CAROLINA TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION DAY" IN SOUTH CAROLINA AND HONOR THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CAMPAIGN TO PREVENT TEEN PREGNANCY, THEIR PARTNERS WITHIN LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS, PARENTS, EDUCATORS, AND TRUSTED ADULTS.

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

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4174 -- Rep. Pitts: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPLICATION BY THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION FOR A CONVENTION OF THE STATES TO BE CALLED TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES INTENDED TO AFFECT ELECTIONS AND CLARIFYING THE AUTHORITY OF CONGRESS AND THE STATES TO REGULATE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR POLITICAL ACTIVITY BY CORPORATIONS.

The Concurrent Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4175 -- Reps. Pope, D. C. Moss, Simrill, Felder, B. Newton, Delleney and V. S. Moss: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 5 IN YORK COUNTY FROM NORTHWESTERN HIGH SCHOOL TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 321 "VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

The Concurrent Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4176 -- Reps. Forrester, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO DECLARE MAY 2017 "ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH" IN SOUTH CAROLINA AND ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO ESTABLISH AND PRACTICE ELECTRICAL SAFETY HABITS IN THE HOME, SCHOOL, AND WORKPLACE TO REDUCE THE

NUMBER OF ELECTRICALLY-RELATED FIRES, INJURIES, AND DEATHS.

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

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 574 -- Senators Scott, McLeod, Fanning, McElveen, Jackson and Setzler: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ATTACH A SIGN CONTAINING THE WORDS "WELCOME TO THE CITY OF COLUMBIA" ONTO THE CONGRESSMAN JAMES E. CLYBURN PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS CROSSING THE SOUTHBOUND LANES OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 277 IN THE CITY OF COLUMBIA.

The Concurrent Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 627 -- Senator Grooms: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE LAING MIDDLE SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN MT. PLEASANT ON BEING NAMED NUMBER ONE STEM MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE NATION AND TO WISH THE STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND ADMINISTRATION CONTINUED SUCCESS IN ALL THEIR FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

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

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

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

H. 4165 -- Rep. Douglas: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-250, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN FAIRFIELD COUNTY, SO AS TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE AND TO CORRECT OUTDATED REFERENCES TO THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

On motion of Rep. DOUGLAS, with unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 4177 -- Reps. Clemmons, Crawford, Fry, Johnson, Duckworth and Hardee: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 9, CHAPTER 5, TITLE 57, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO TURNPIKE PROJECTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE NONTAX REVENUES MADE AVAILABLE WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "TURNPIKE FACILITIES REVENUES", TO PROVIDE WHICH ROADS MAY BE DESIGNATED AS A TURNPIKE FACILITY, TO ALLOW CONTRACTS WITH POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, TO PROVIDE THE MANNER IN WHICH TOLL AMOUNTS ARE DETERMINED, TO CLARIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH TURNPIKE BONDS MAY BE AUTHORIZED, AND TO DEFINE "ELECTRONIC TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM"; TO AMEND SECTION 57-3-615, RELATING TO HIGHWAY TOLLS, SO AS TO DELETE CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATING TO TOLL REVENUES AND TOLL PROJECTS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 12-28-2920, RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOLL ROADS, SO AS TO ALLOW TOLL REVENUES TO BE RETAINED IN A SPECIAL ACCOUNT AND TO BE USED TO MAINTAIN THE TURNPIKE FACILITIES.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 4178 -- Rep. Martin: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-420, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN NEWBERRY COUNTY, SO AS TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE AND TO CORRECT OUTDATED REFERENCES TO THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

On motion of Rep. MARTIN, with unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 4179 -- Reps. Gagnon and West: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-30, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN ABBEVILLE COUNTY, SO AS TO ADD THE SMITHVILLE PRECINCT, TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE, AND TO CORRECT OUTDATED REFERENCES TO THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

On motion of Rep. GAGNON, with unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 4180 -- Reps. W. Newton, Erickson, Herbkersman, Bowers, Bradley and M. Rivers: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTIONS 4-3-75 AND 4-3-325 SO AS TO ALTER THE BOUNDARY LINES OF BEAUFORT AND JASPER COUNTIES BY ANNEXING A CERTAIN PORTION OF JASPER COUNTY TO BEAUFORT COUNTY AND A CERTAIN PORTION OF BEAUFORT COUNTY TO JASPER COUNTY AND MAKE PROVISIONS FOR LEGAL RECORDS.

On motion of Rep. W. NEWTON, with unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 4181 -- Rep. Anthony: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-510, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN UNION COUNTY, SO AS TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE AND TO CORRECT OUTDATED REFERENCES TO THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

On motion of Rep. ANTHONY, with unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 4182 -- Rep. White: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION ENTERPRISE ACT", BY ADDING CHAPTER 157 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH BY RESOLUTION AN ENTERPRISE DIVISION AS PART OF THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN ASSETS, PROGRAMS, AND OPERATIONS OF THE INSTITUTION MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO THE ENTERPRISE DIVISION, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ENTERPRISE DIVISION IS EXEMPT FROM VARIOUS STATE LAWS GOVERNING PROCUREMENT, HUMAN RESOURCES, PERSONNEL, AND THE DISPOSITION OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS, TO PROVIDE THAT BONDS, NOTES, OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS MAY BE ISSUED FOR THE ENTERPRISE DIVISION, AND TO PROVIDE AUDIT AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 11-35-710, RELATING TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA PROCUREMENT CODE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY MAY EXEMPT AN ENTERPRISE DIVISION IF A DIVISION IS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 157, TITLE 59 IF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ADOPTS A PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR THE DIVISION THAT IS APPROVED BY THE AUTHORITY.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 4183 -- Reps. McKnight and Ridgeway: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-190, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN CLARENDON COUNTY, SO AS TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE AND TO CORRECT OUTDATED REFERENCES TO THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

On motion of Rep. MCKNIGHT, with unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 4184 -- Reps. Elliott, G. R. Smith, Hamilton and Henderson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-1-50, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT GOALS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND STUDENTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE READINESS TO PARTICIPATE AS A CITIZEN IN OUR CONSTITUTIONAL REPUBLIC AS A KEY ELEMENT IN THE PROFILE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA GRADUATE.

Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works

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

**RETURNED WITH CONCURRENCE**

The Senate returned to the House with concurrence the following:

H. 4159 -- Reps. J. E. Smith, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO HONOR PALMER "SATCH" KRANTZ, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF RIVERBANKS ZOO AND GARDEN IN COLUMBIA, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT, TO EXTEND DEEP APPRECIATION FOR HIS FORTY-FOUR YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND TO OFFER BEST WISHES FOR A SATISFYING AND REWARDING RETIREMENT.

H. 4122 -- Reps. Thayer, White, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Anthony, Arrington, Atkinson, Atwater, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bedingfield, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bowers, Bradley, Brown, Burns, Caskey, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Cole, Collins, Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Davis, Delleney, Dillard, Douglas, Duckworth, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliard, Govan, Hamilton, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Johnson, Jordan, King, Kirby, Knight, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McCravy, McEachern, McKnight, Mitchell, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Ott, Parks, Pitts, Pope, Putnam, Quinn, Ridgeway, M. Rivers, S. Rivers, Robinson-Simpson, Rutherford, Ryhal, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thigpen, Toole, Weeks, West, Wheeler, Whipper, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE MONTH OF APRIL 2017 AS "DONATE LIFE MONTH" IN SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO ENCOURAGE ALL SOUTH CAROLINIANS TO REGISTER AS ORGAN DONORS.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:45 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. DUCKWORTH, adjourned in memory of Nathan P. “Nate” Johnson of Myrtle Beach, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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