

SENATE TO MEET AT 11:00 A.M. TODAY

NO. 14

CALENDAR

OF THE

SENATE

OF THE

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA



REGULAR SESSION BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2017

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2017

Thursday, February 2, 2017

INVITATIONS

Thursday, February 2, 2017 - 8:00-10:00 A.M.

Members and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the
SCAWWA WATER UTILITY COUNCIL
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 - 12:00-2:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Luncheon, The Capital City Club, by the
SOUTH CAROLINA ARTS ALLIANCE
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 - 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, SC State Farmers' Market, West
Columbia, by the **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Tuesday, February 7, 2017 - 7:00-9:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, by the **SOUTH
CAROLINA FUNERAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 - 8:00-10:00 A.M.

Members and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the **AARP**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 - 12:00-2:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the **SC
ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 - 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, by the **COLLEGE
OF CHARLESTON**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Thursday, February 9, 2017 - 8:00-10:00 A.M.

Members and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the **STATE FARM INSURANCE COMPANIES**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 - 8:00-10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the **SC GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 - 12:00-2:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the **UNITED WAY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 - 5:30-7:30 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Reception, Embassy Suites, by the **SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Thursday, February 16, 2017 - 8:00-10:00 A.M.

Members and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the **CAROLINA SPEECH, LANGUAGE, AND HEARING ASSOCIATION**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 - 6:00-9:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Reception, The Double Tree Hotel, by the **SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 - 7:00-9:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, by the **SOUTH CAROLINA STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 - 5:30-7:30 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, The Capital City Club, by the **ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS OF THE CAROLINAS**
(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 - 8:00-10:00 A.M.

Members and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the
**SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF HABITAT
AFFILIATES**

(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 - 12:00-2:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the
WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL

(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 - 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, The Columbia Museum of Art, by the
COLUMBIA MUSEUM OF ART/CITY OF COLUMBIA

(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 - 7:00-9:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, by the **WINE AND
SPIRITS WHOLESALERS OF SC**

(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Thursday, February 23, 2017 - 8:00-10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the
AAA CAROLINAS

(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

Tuesday, February 28, 2017 - 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Members and Staff, Reception, Hall at Senate's End, by the **CLEMSON
UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION**

(Accepted--January 31, 2017)

**UNCONTESTED LOCAL
THIRD READING BILL**

- S. 310--Senator Sheheen: A BILL TO PERMIT THE TOWN OF CAMDEN TO ANNEX CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY BY ORDINANCE UPON FINDING THAT THE PROPERTY IS BLIGHTED.**

(Without reference--January 25, 2017)

(Read the second time--February 1, 2017)

MOTION PERIOD

SPECIAL ORDERS

(Set for Special Order--January 31, 2017)

- S. 27--Senators Campsen, Young, Hembree, Climer and Gregory: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-3-10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ELECTION OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT BY THE GOVERNOR, BY AND WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE TERM, QUALIFICATIONS, AND FILLING OF A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 59-3-20**

RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Education--January 26, 2017)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Set for Special Order--January 31, 2017)

(Committee Amendment Amended and Adopted--February 1, 2017)

(Amended--February 1, 2017)

(Read the second time--February 1, 2017)

(Ayes 41, Nays 0 -- February 1, 2017)

(Set for Special Order--January 31, 2017)

- S. 218--Senators Massey, Bennett, Alexander, Bryant, Gregory and Corbin: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 1, TITLE 41 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT GENERALLY, BY ADDING SECTION 41-1-25, TO PROVIDE THAT A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE MAY NOT ESTABLISH, MANDATE, OR OTHERWISE REQUIRE AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--January 26, 2017)

(Favorable)

(Set for Special Order--January 31, 2017)

STATEWIDE THIRD READING BILLS

- S. 214--Senator Kimpson: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 36, TITLE 12 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SALES AND USE TAX ACT, BY ADDING SECTION 12-36-71, TO PROVIDE THAT A RETAILER IS PRESUMED TO BE LIABLE FOR THE SALES TAX OR RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING AND REMITTING THE USE TAX IF THE RETAILER ENTERS INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE UNDER WHICH THE RESIDENT, FOR A COMMISSION OR CONSIDERATION, REFERS POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS, WHETHER BY AN INTERNET**

LINK OR OTHERWISE, TO REQUIRE SUCH RETAILERS TO OBTAIN A RETAIL LICENSE AND REMIT SALES AND USE TAX ON ALL TAXABLE RETAIL SALES, AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Finance--January 24, 2017)

(Favorable)

(Read the second time--January 31, 2017)

(Ayes 38, Nays 5 -- January 31, 2017)

(Contested by Senator Climer)

- S. **263--Senators Peeler, Malloy, Alexander, Grooms, Campbell, Turner, Corbin, Martin, Rice and Gambrell: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 140 TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 56 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHALL ISSUE "CLEMSON UNIVERSITY 2016 FOOTBALL NATIONAL CHAMPIONS" SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.**

(Read the first time--January 19, 2017)

(Recalled from Committee on Transportation--January 26, 2017)

(Read the second time--February 1, 2017)

(Ayes 38, Nays 0 -- February 1, 2017)

- S. **316--Education Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, RELATING TO AT-RISK STUDENTS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4656, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.**

(Without reference--January 26, 2017)

(Read the second time--February 1, 2017)

(Ayes 38, Nays 0 -- February 1, 2017)

- S. **44--Senators Gregory and Reese: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-37-220, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO EXEMPT EIGHTY PERCENT OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF CERTAIN DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES AND TO EXEMPT**

THE VALUE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE PROPERTY FOR RESIDENTIAL USE.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)
(Reported by Committee on Finance--January 19, 2017)
(Favorable with amendments)
(Committee Amendment Adopted--February 1, 2017)
(Amended--February 1, 2017)
(Read the second time--February 1, 2017)
(Ayes 38, Nays 4 -- February 1, 2017)

- S. 176--Senator Sheheen: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 1, TITLE 24 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, BY ADDING SECTION 24-1-300, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO OPERATE AN UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE WITHIN A CERTAIN DISTANCE OF A DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FACILITY WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)
(Reported by Committee on Corrections and Penology--January 19, 2017)
(Favorable with amendments)
(Committee Amendment Adopted--February 1, 2017)
(Amended--February 1, 2017)
(Read the second time--February 1, 2017)
(Ayes 43, Nays 0 -- February 1, 2017)

- S. 220--Senators Shealy and McElveen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 63-7-920(C) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED DURING AN INVESTIGATION OF CHILD ABUSE ALLEGATIONS, TO PROVIDE THAT HEARING IMPAIRED CHILDREN SHALL BE INTERVIEWED USING A SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER NOT RELATED TO THE CHILD, TO ALLOW FOR REMOTE VIDEO INTERPRETATION, AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO MAINTAIN A DATABASE OF QUALIFIED INTERPRETERS; AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 25, TITLE 16, RELATING TO CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, TO PROVIDE THAT INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED DURING AN INVESTIGATION OF CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN WHICH A HEARING IMPAIRED CHILD**

MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED OR WITNESSED THE ACT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MUST BE CONDUCTED WITH THE USE OF A SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER NOT RELATED TO THE CHILD.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)
(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--January 25, 2017)
(Favorable with amendments)
(Committee Amendment Adopted--February 1, 2017)
(Amended--February 1, 2017)
(Read the second time--February 1, 2017)
(Ayes 44, Nays 0 -- February 1, 2017)

**SECOND READING
CONSENT CALENDAR**

- S. 46--Senators Campsen and Bennett: **A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-520, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO INFLATION ADJUSTMENTS TO STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX BRACKETS, SO AS TO ENACT THE "TAXPAYER INFLATION PROTECTION ACT", TO DELETE THE PROVISION LIMITING THE INFLATION ADJUSTMENT TO ONE-HALF OF THE ACTUAL INFLATION RATE AND THE OVERALL FOUR PERCENT LIMIT ON THE TOTAL INFLATION ADJUSTMENT, AND TO DELETE REDUNDANT LANGUAGE.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)
(Reported by Committee on Finance--January 31, 2017)
(Favorable with amendments)

- S. 61--Senator Hutto: **A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 1-11-720, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE HEALTH PLAN, SO AS TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, OF ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE HEALTH PLAN.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)
(Reported by Committee on Finance--January 31, 2017)
(Favorable)

S. 75--Senator Young: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-43-220(c)(2) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PROGRAMS AND UNIFORM ASSESSMENT RATIOS FOR COUNTY EQUALIZATION AND REASSESSMENT, TO PROVIDE THAT AN OWNER ELIGIBLE FOR AND RECEIVING THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-43-220(c) WHO IS RESIDING AT A NURSING HOME RETAINS THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RATIO OF FOUR PERCENT FOR AS LONG AS THE OWNER REMAINS IN THE NURSING HOME.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Finance--January 31, 2017)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 326--Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION, RELATING TO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4711, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

(Without reference--January 31, 2017)

S. 327--Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION - BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS, RELATING TO BARBERSHOP REQUIREMENTS; APPLICATIONS FOR INSPECTION AND REGISTRATION AND SHOP LICENSE, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4713, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

(Without reference--January 31, 2017)

STATEWIDE SECOND READING BILLS

- S. 137--Senators Campsen, Hembree, Climer, Young and Turner: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7, ARTICLE VI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS OF THIS STATE, SO AS TO DELETE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION FROM THE LIST OF STATE OFFICERS WHICH THE CONSTITUTION REQUIRES TO BE ELECTED AND PROVIDE THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION MUST BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR UPON THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE TO SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR BEGINNING IN JANUARY 2023, OR UPON A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION AFTER THE DATE OF THE RATIFICATION OF THIS AMENDMENT, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL PROVIDE BY LAW FOR THE DUTIES, COMPENSATION, AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE OFFICE.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--January 24, 2017)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Johnson)

- S. 18--Senators Campsen and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 24-21-705 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT, UPON RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE OF A PAROLE HEARING, THE VICTIM AND MEMBERS OF THE VICTIM'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN STATEMENTS TO THE BOARD OF PROBATION, PAROLE AND PARDON SERVICES, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATEMENTS MUST BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD IN MAKING ITS DETERMINATION OF PAROLE, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATEMENTS MUST BE RETAINED BY THE BOARD AND MUST BE SUBMITTED AT SUBSEQUENT PAROLE HEARINGS IF THE SUBMITTING PERSON

DECLARES THAT THE STATEMENT STILL REPRESENTS THE PERSON'S PRESENT POSITION.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Corrections and Penology--
January 19, 2017)

(Favorable with amendments)

- S. **168--Senators Shealy, McElveen and Bryant: A BILL TO AMEND SECTIONS 16-15-90 AND 16-15-100 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PROSTITUTION, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR SOLICITATION OF PROSTITUTION, ESTABLISHING OR KEEPING A BROTHEL OR HOUSE OF PROSTITUTION, OR CAUSING OR INDUCING ANOTHER TO PARTICIPATE IN PROSTITUTION; TO ESTABLISH THE AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE OF BEING A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING; AND TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR SOLICITING, CAUSING, OR INDUCING ANOTHER FOR OR INTO PROSTITUTION WHEN THE PROSTITUTE HAS A MENTAL DISABILITY.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--January 25, 2017)

(Favorable with amendments)

- S. **245--Senators Hutto and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-53-370, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DRUG OFFENSES, SO AS TO CONFORM THE LANGUAGE OF TRAFFICKING IN ILLEGAL DRUGS PROVISIONS, INCLUDING OPIATES AND HEROIN, TO THE LANGUAGE OF THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING POSSESSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN ILLEGAL DRUGS WHICH WOULD INCLUDE SYNTHETIC OPIATES, AMONG OTHER DRUGS.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--January 25, 2017)

(Favorable with amendments)

- S. **6--Senators Bryant, Hembree and Campbell: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 47-3-630 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR TEASING, MALTREATING, AND INJURING POLICE DOGS AND HORSES, TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON WHO**

TORTURES, MUTILATES, INJURES, DISABLES, POISONS, OR KILLS A POLICE DOG OR HORSE MAY BE FINED UP TO TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS, MAY BE IMPRISONED FOR UP TO TEN YEARS, MUST PAY RESTITUTION TO COVER THE COST OF RESTORING OR REPLACING THE DOG OR HORSE INJURED OR KILLED, AND MAY BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE UP TO FIVE HUNDRED HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR AN ANIMAL-RELATED ORGANIZATION OR FOUNDATION.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2017)

(Reported by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources--January 26, 2017)

(Favorable)

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