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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020
(STATEWIDE SESSION)

Tuesday, February 18, 2020
(Statewide Session)

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Indicates New Matter

The House assembled at 12:00 noon.

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

Our thought for today is from Exodus 34:29: “The skin of Moses face shone because he had been talking to God.”

Let us pray. Bring us into Your presence, O God, and fill us with Your Spirit. Strong God, when life’s circumstances overwhelm us, stand with us, stir our praise, and may we give thanks for the strength You provide to overcome. May we also feel Your peace which passes all understanding. We praise You for Your continued care and presence in our lives. Bless our defenders of freedom and first responders as they care for and protect us. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, staff, and all who give of their time and talents for the good of this State. Heal the wounds, those seen and those hidden, of our brave warriors 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.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5233 -- Reps. Funderburk, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brawley, Brown, Bryant, Burns, Calhoon, Caskey, Chellis, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Collins, B. Cox, W. Cox, Crawford, Daning, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Fry, Gagnon, Garvin, Gilliam, Gilliard, Govan, Haddon, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Hyde, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones,

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Jordan, Kimmons, King, Kirby, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mace, Mack, Magnuson, Martin, Matthews, McCoy, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, McKnight, Moore, Morgan, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Murphy, B. Newton, W. Newton, Norrell, Oremus, Ott, Parks, Pendarvis, Pope, Ridgeway, Rivers, Robinson, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Toole, Trantham, Weeks, West, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, R. Williams, S. Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE MULTICULTURAL COMMITTEE OF THE KERSHAW COUNTY FINE ARTS CENTER FOR ITS IMPRESSIVE WORK IN CELEBRATING THE MULTICULTURAL HERITAGE OF KERSHAW COUNTY, TO HONOR THE COMMITTEE'S FOUNDING MEMBERS, AND TO CONGRATULATE THE COMMITTEE ON ITS THIRTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY.

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

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 1104 -- Senators Shealy, Martin, Young, Bennett, Climer, Rice, Hembree, Cromer, Corbin, Scott, Campbell, Malloy, Turner, Gambrell, Goldfinch, Talley, Verdin, Davis, Allen, Setzler, Johnson, Nicholson, Williams, J. Matthews, M. B. Matthews, McLeod, Gregory and Harpootlian: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020 AS "SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY DEPARTMENT DAY" IN THIS STATE AND TO HONOR THE MANY SACRIFICES AND VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY TO PROTECTING THE FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY, AND SECURITY OF OUR STATE AND NATION.

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

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INTRODUCTION OF BILL

The following Bill was introduced, read the first time, and referred to the appropriate committee:

H. 5234 -- Reps. Henegan, Cobb-Hunter, McDaniel, Yow, R. Williams, S. Williams, Kirby, King, Dillard and Spires: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 43-21-55 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT ON AGING TO FUND A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE SUBSIDIES TO SENIOR CITIZENS TO PURCHASE A PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM.

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

ROLL CALL

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

Alexander	Allison	Anderson
Atkinson	Bailey	Bales
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bennett	Bernstein	Blackwell
Bradley	Brawley	Brown
Bryant	Burns	Calhoon
Caskey	Chellis	Chumley
Clary	Clemmons	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Cogswell	Collins
B. Cox	W. Cox	Crawford
Danig	Davis	Dillard
Elliott	Erickson	Felder
Finlay	Forrest	Forrester
Fry	Funderburk	Gagnon
Garvin	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Haddon	Hardee
Hart	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hill
Hiott	Hixon	Hosey
Howard	Huggins	Hyde
Jefferson	Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kimmons	King
Kirby	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Lucas	Mace

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Magnuson	Martin	Matthews
McCoy	McCravy	McDaniel
McKnight	Moore	Morgan
D. C. Moss	V. S. Moss	Murphy
B. Newton	Norrell	Oremus
Ott	Parks	Pendarvis
Pope	Ridgeway	Rivers
Robinson	Rose	Rutherford
Sandifer	Simrill	G. M. Smith
G. R. Smith	Sottile	Spires
Stavrinakis	Stringer	Tallon
Taylor	Thayer	Thigpen
Toole	Trantham	Weeks
West	Wheeler	Whitmire
R. Williams	S. Williams	Willis
Wooten		

Total Present--118

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. W. NEWTON a leave of absence for the day due to a prior family commitment.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. YOW a leave of absence for the day to attend a family funeral.

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE

Rep. CLEMMONS signed a statement with the Clerk that he came in after the roll call of the House and was present for the Session on Thursday, February 13.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

Announcement was made that Dr. Jeffrey Paul Cashman of Spartanburg was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

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CO-SPONSORS 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-SPONSORS ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4258
Date: ADD:
02/18/20 CLARY, CLYBURN, HOSEY, ALLISON, BURNS,
SIMRILL and BERNSTEIN

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4712
Date: ADD:
02/18/20 PENDARVIS

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4990
Date: ADD:
02/18/20 W. COX

CO-SPONSORS ADDED

Bill Number: H. 5139
Date: ADD:
02/18/20 MARTIN, D. C. MOSS and V. S. MOSS

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SENT TO THE SENATE

The following Bill was taken up, read the third time, and ordered sent to the Senate:

H. 4974 -- Reps. Lucas, Simrill, Rutherford, Pope, McCoy, G. M. Smith, Bannister, Hart, B. Newton, Bales, Forrest, Henderson-Myers, Weeks, Fry, Hixon and Govan: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 14-5-610, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF THE STATE INTO SIXTEEN JUDICIAL CIRCUITS AND ADDITIONAL AT-LARGE JUDGES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF AT-LARGE CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES FROM SIXTEEN TO SEVENTEEN; AND TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-40, RELATING TO FAMILY COURT JUDGES ELECTED FROM EACH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND ADDITIONAL AT-LARGE JUDGES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF AT-LARGE FAMILY COURT JUDGES FROM EIGHT TO TEN.

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:05 p.m. the House in accordance with the motion of Rep. S. WILLIAMS adjourned to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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