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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020
(STATEWIDE SESSION)

Tuesday, February 25, 2020
(Statewide Session)

~~Indicates Matter Stricken~~

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 19:19: "Moses would speak and God would answer him in thunder."

Let us pray. Glorious God, You revealed Your love at Sinai and so often You reveal Your love to us here in these Chambers. Help us to perceive You as our Lord. Your glory, O God, is often hidden from us. Come to us again as these Representatives and staff continue to do good things. Protect our defenders of freedom and first responders as they protect and care for us. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, staff, and all who work for the people 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.

MOTION ADOPTED

Rep. COBB-HUNTER moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Rena Grant, which was agreed to.

SILENT PRAYER

The House stood in silent prayer for Paisley Elizabeth Grace Cogsdill and her family.

SILENT PRAYER

The House stood in silent prayer for the Sumter County Police Officer involved in a shooting earlier today.

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COMMUNICATION

The following was received:

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Charles F. Reid
Clerk of the House
213 Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mr. Reid,

The House Ethics Committee recently screened and approved Mr. Alozno J. Holloway as the House Minority Party's appointment for the State Ethics Commission for a term of three years, that is, April 1, 2020 to April 1, 2023. This was a typographical error as his term should be for a five-year term, that is, April 1, 2020 to April 1, 2025. See S.C. Code Ann. Section 8-13-310(D).

Please correct the term of Mr. Holloway's appointment to the State Ethics Commission in the House Journal to a term of five years. Thanks for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,
Jane O. Shuler
Chief Legal Counsel
House Ethics Committee

Received as information.

COMMUNICATION

The following was received:

State of South Carolina
Office of the Governor

Columbia, S.C., February 24, 2020
Mr. Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am transmitting herewith an appointment for confirmation. This appointment is made with advice and consent of the General Assembly and is therefore submitted for your consideration.

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Statewide Appointment

State Ethics Commission
Term Commencing: April 1, 2020
Term Expiring: April 1, 2025
Seat: At-large, Governor
Vice: Self

Ms. Ashleigh R. Wilson
6227 N. Trenholm Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29206

Yours very truly,
Henry McMaster
Governor

Received as information.

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Office of the Governor

Columbia, S.C., February 24, 2020

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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Statewide Appointment

State Ethics Commission
Term Commencing: April 1, 2020
Term Expiring: April 1, 2025
Seat: At-large, Governor
Vice: Self

Ms. Brandolyn T. Pinkston
5 Woodlands Ridge Court
Columbia, South Carolina 29229

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Yours very truly,
Henry McMaster
Governor

Received as information.

INVITATIONS

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

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the Associated Builders & Contractors of the Carolinas, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at The Palmetto Club.

Sincerely,
Chris Bullard, Director of Governmental Affairs
Associated Builders & Contractors of the Carolinas

February 20, 2020
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 Department of Natural Resources, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2020, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the National Guard Armory, 1225 Bluff Road.

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Sincerely,
Kevin R. Ryan, Director of Governmental Affairs
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources

February 20, 2020
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 EMS Association, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Henry Lewis, President
South Carolina EMS Association

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the Southern Association for College Admission Counseling, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Luncheon. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Chelsea Marsh, SC Regional Recruiter
University of Alabama

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Gray, Director of Governmental Affairs
Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce

February 20, 2020

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 Broadcasters Association, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Thursday, March 5, 2020, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,

Margaret W. Wallace, Executive Director
South Carolina Broadcasters Association

February 20, 2020

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 Beer Wholesalers Association, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at 1114 College Street.

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Sincerely,
Candace Spencer, Director of Operations
South Carolina Beer Wholesalers Association

February 20, 2020
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 Conservation Coalition, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at 701 Whaley.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Haynes, Deputy Director
Conservation Coalition of South Carolina

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the Piedmont Municipal Power Agency and South Carolina Association of Municipal Power Systems, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2020, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in Room 112, Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Copeland, Staff Associate for Affiliate Services
Municipal Association of South Carolina

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee

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503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the South Carolina Technical College System, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Luncheon. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2020, from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. on State House Grounds.

Sincerely,
Karen Taylor, Project Coordinator
South Carolina Technical College System

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina, the Members of the House of Representatives, Families, and their staff are invited to a Legislative Ballgame and Picnic. This event will be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Segra Park.

Sincerely,
James D'Alessio, Vice President, Governmental Affairs
BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina

February 20, 2020
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's Coalition for Mathematics & Science, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Thursday, March 26, 2020, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. at in Room 112, Blatt Building.

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Sincerely,
Thomas Peters, Executive Director
South Carolina's Coalition for Mathematics & Science

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The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the Boeing, South Carolina Manufacturing Alliance, and BMW, the Members of the House of Representatives and their staff are invited to a Legislative Breakfast. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2020, from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. on Statehouse Grounds.

Sincerely,
Lindsay Leonard, National Strategy and Engagement
Boeing South Carolina

February 20, 2020
The Honorable Jimmy Bales
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Bales:

On behalf of the Home Builders Association of South Carolina, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a Legislative Reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Columbia Museum of Art.

Sincerely,
Mark Nix, Executive Director
Home Builders Association of South Carolina

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MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following was received:

Columbia, S.C. Thursday, February 20

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Senate respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it has appointed Senators Sabb, Williams and Goldfinch of the Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate on :

H. 4411 -- Reprs. Clemmons, Anderson, Crawford, McGinnis, Hardee, Bailey and Fry: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-320, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN HORRY COUNTY, SO AS TO DELETE FOUR PRECINCTS, TO ADD EIGHT PRECINCTS, AND TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

Very respectfully,
President

Received as information.

REGULATION RECEIVED

The following was received and referred to the appropriate committee for consideration:

Document No. 4933

Agency: Clemson University

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 59-119-320

Parking and Traffic Regulations

Received by Speaker of the House of Representatives

February 21, 2020

Referred to Regulations and Administrative Procedures Committee

Legislative Review Expiration February 17, 2021

REGULATIONS WITHDRAWN

Document No. 4919

Agency: State Board of Education

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60(1), 59-5-65, 59-25-110, 59-25-115, 59-26-40, and 59-26-85

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Credential Classification

Received by Speaker of the House of Representatives January 14, 2020

Referred to Regulations and Administrative Procedures Committee

Legislative Review Expiration: Permanently Withdrawn

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5277 -- Rep. West: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BELTON-HONEA PATH HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITIVE CHEER TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS, AT A DATE AND TIME TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SPEAKER, FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEING RECOGNIZED AND COMMENDED FOR WINNING THE 2019 CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5278 -- Reps. Calhoon, Ballentine, Caskey, Forrest, Huggins, Ott, Spires, Toole, Wooten, Clyburn, Parks, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Bales, Bamberg, Bannister, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brawley, Brown, Bryant, Burns, Chellis, Chumley, Clary, Clemmons, Cobb-Hunter, Cogswell, Collins, B. Cox, W. Cox, Crawford, Daning, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrester, Fry, Funderburk, Gagnon, Garvin, Gilliam, Gilliard, Govan, Haddon, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones, 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, Pendarvis, Pope, Ridgeway, Rivers, Robinson, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Simrill, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, Sottile, Stavrinakis, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Weeks, West, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, R. Williams, S. Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE DICKERSON CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER ON THE

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OCCASION OF ITS TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO COMMEND THE ORGANIZATION FOR A QUARTER CENTURY OF COMPASSIONATE SERVICE TO CHILDREN WHO ARE VICTIMS OF ABUSE.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5279 -- Reps. Calhoun, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brawley, Brown, Bryant, Burns, 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, Funderburk, Gagnon, Garvin, Gilliam, Gilliard, Govan, Haddon, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Hyde, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones, 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 HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR D. MURRAY PRICE OF LEXINGTON COUNTY FOR A LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO MANKIND IN HIS COMMUNITY, CHURCH, STATE, AND NATION; TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON THE OCCASION OF HIS NINETY-NINTH BIRTHDAY; AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5280 -- Rep. King: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH

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CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF PENINNAH BOWEN LOWRY OF YORK COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HER MANY FRIENDS.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5281 -- Reprs. G. M. Smith and Weeks: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF MAJOR BOGDAN M. "NICK" ZLOTNICKI, U.S.A.F. (RETIRED), A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SUMTER, AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5285 -- Reprs. Rutherford, Alexander, Allison, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Bales, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bennett, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brawley, Brown, Bryant, Burns, Calhoun, 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, Funderburk, Gagnon, Garvin, Gilliam, Gilliard, Govan, Haddon, Hardee, Hart, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Hyde, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones, 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, 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 HOUSE RESOLUTION TO DECLARE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4,

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2020, AS "ETIQUETTE DAY IN SOUTH CAROLINA" AND TO COMMEND THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA'S EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM AND ITS STUDENTS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROGRESS IN BECOMING PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS.

The Resolution was adopted.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5282 -- Rep. Howard: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO DECLARE MARCH 2020 AS BLEEDING DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO INCREASE RECOGNITION OF THESE ILLNESSES.

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

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 5286 -- Reps. B. Cox and Burns: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERCHANGE LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 85 AND INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 385 IN GREENVILLE COUNTY "OFFICER ALLEN LEE JACOBS MEMORIAL INTERCHANGE" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS OR MARKERS AT THIS INTERCHANGE CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

H. 5276 -- Reps. Elliott and Hyde: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SUBARTICLE B TO ARTICLE 11, CHAPTER 31, TITLE 33 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONVERSION OF A NONPROFIT

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CORPORATION TO A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; TO DESIGNATE THE EXISTING SECTIONS OF ARTICLE 11, CHAPTER 31, TITLE 33 AS SUBARTICLE A, ENTITLED "MERGERS, GENERALLY"; TO AMEND SECTION 33-11-101, RELATING TO MERGERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A CORPORATION MAY CONVERT TO A LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION; TO AMEND SECTION 33-31-1101, RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF A PLAN OF MERGER, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROVAL OF A MERGER PLAN FOR A SOUTH CAROLINA NONPROFIT CORPORATION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 33-31-1102, RELATING TO THE LIMITATIONS ON MERGERS BY PUBLIC BENEFITS OR RELIGIOUS CORPORATIONS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 5283 -- Rep. Bannister: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY STUDY COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, THE OFFENSES THAT PLACE A PERSON ON THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, AND TO STUDY HOW LONG A PERSON SHOULD REMAIN ON THE REGISTRY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE, TO REQUIRE THE SUBMISSION OF A REPORT FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF THE COMMITTEE.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 5284 -- Reprs. Daning, Sottile and Jefferson: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 23-3-340 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT UPON REQUEST OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, A WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER SHALL PROVIDE CALL LOCATION INFORMATION CONCERNING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICE OF THE USER TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO A CALL FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES OR IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION THAT INVOLVES THE RISK OF DEATH OR SERIOUS PHYSICAL HARM, TO PROVIDE A CIVIL OR CRIMINAL ACTION MAY NOT BE BROUGHT AGAINST A WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDER UNDER THIS SECTION UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND PROVIDE SLED SHALL

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OBTAIN CONTACT INFORMATION FROM WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS TO FACILITATE A REQUEST FROM A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 5287 -- Reprs. Clemmons, Rutherford, Bernstein, Yow, Simrill, Garvin, McGinnis, Henegan, Taylor, Crawford, Fry, Willis, G. R. Smith, Anderson, Burns, B. Newton, Bailey, Hewitt, Stavrinakis, Ligon, V. S. Moss, Haddon, Morgan, Gilliard, Kirby, Hosey, D. C. Moss, McCravy, Hardee, Brown, W. Newton, Norrell, Stringer, Govan, Mack, Alexander, Allison, Atkinson, Bales, Ballentine, Bannister, Bennett, Blackwell, Bradley, Brawley, Bryant, Calhoon, Caskey, Chellis, Chumley, Clary, Clyburn, Cogswell, Collins, B. Cox, W. Cox, Daning, Davis, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Finlay, Forrest, Forrester, Funderburk, Gagnon, Gilliam, Hart, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hiott, Hixon, Howard, Huggins, Hyde, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kimmons, King, Long, Lowe, Lucas, Mace, Magnuson, Martin, McCoy, McDaniel, Moore, Murphy, Oremus, Parks, Pope, Ridgeway, Rivers, Rose, Sandifer, G. M. Smith, Sottile, Spires, Tallon, Thayer, Toole, Trantham, Weeks, West, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, R. Williams, S. Williams and Wooten: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 1-13-83 SO AS TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION OF "ANTI-SEMITISM" FOR THE STATE HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION TO USE WHILE INVESTIGATING AND WORKING TO RESOLVE COMPLAINTS OF DISCRIMINATION.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 5288 -- Rep. Long: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 7-5-115 SO AS TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, PROVIDE THAT A PERSON IS NOT ALLOWED TO VOTE IN A PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION OR A PARTISAN ADVISORY REFERENDUM UNLESS THE PERSON HAS REGISTERED AS BEING A MEMBER OF THAT PARTY OR IS REGISTERED AS AN INDEPENDENT; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-110, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT OF REGISTRATION IN ORDER TO VOTE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON IS NOT ALLOWED TO VOTE IN A PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION OR PARTISAN ADVISORY REFERENDUM UNLESS THE PERSON HAS REGISTERED AS BEING A MEMBER OF THAT POLITICAL PARTY OR REGISTERED AS AN

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INDEPENDENT; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-170, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIREMENT OF STATING POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION, IF ANY, ON THE FORM AND INCLUDING IT IN THE OATH AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION TO ASSIST IN CAPTURING THIS DATA; AND TO AMEND SECTION 7-9-20, RELATING TO THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR VOTING IN PRIMARY ELECTIONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE, AS A REQUIREMENT, REGISTRATION AS A MEMBER OF THE PARTY OR STATUS AS A REGISTERED INDEPENDENT AND TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR CHANGING POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION OR NONAFFILIATION AFTER A SELECTION HAS BEEN MADE.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

S. 867 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-13-35, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE NOTICE OF GENERAL, MUNICIPAL, SPECIAL, AND PRIMARY ELECTIONS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE NOTICE TO STATE THAT THE PROCESS OF EXAMINING THE RETURN-ADDRESSED ENVELOPES CONTAINING THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS MAY BEGIN AT 9:00 A.M. ON THE CALENDAR DAY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING ELECTION DAY; TO AMEND SECTION 7-15-420, RELATING TO THE RECEIPT, TABULATION, AND REPORTING OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROCESS OF EXAMINING THE RETURN-ADDRESSED ENVELOPES THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS MAY BEGIN AT 9:00 A.M. ON THE CALENDAR DAY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING ELECTION DAY; TO AMEND SECTION 7-15-470, RELATING TO ABSENTEE BALLOTS OTHER THAN PAPER BALLOTS, SO AS TO MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS NEEDED TO OBTAIN THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION CERTIFICATION BEFORE USING A NONPAPER-BASED VOTING MACHINE OR VOTING SYSTEM FOR IN-PERSON ABSENTEE VOTING; TO REQUIRE THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION TO IMPLEMENT A SOFTWARE UPDATE TO ITS ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES TO ALLOW FOR CHALLENGES TO ABSENTEE VOTES CAST USING THE MACHINES IN AN EQUIVALENT MANNER TO CHALLENGES TO ABSENTEE VOTES CAST ON ELECTRONIC VOTING

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MACHINES IN THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION; AND TO PROVIDE THAT SECTIONS 1, 2, AND 3 OF THIS ACT ARE REPEALED ON JANUARY 1, 2021.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

S. 919 -- Senator M. B. Matthews: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-110 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN BEAUFORT COUNTY, TO ADD THE NEW RIVER, PALMETTO BLUFF, AND SANDY POINTE VOTING PRECINCTS, 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 AN OUTDATED REFERENCE TO THE FORMER OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND STATISTICS.

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

S. 920 -- Senator M. B. Matthews: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-330 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN JASPER COUNTY, TO ADD TWO PRECINCTS AND TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

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

S. 1003 -- Senator Verdin: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-360, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN LAURENS COUNTY, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE BREWERTON AND PRINCETON VOTING PRECINCTS, TO ESTABLISH THE BREWERTON-PRINCETON VOTING PRECINCT, AND TO UPDATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES AND BOUNDARIES OF THE LAURENS COUNTY VOTING PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

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

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ROLL CALL

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

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	Forrest
Forrester	Fry	Funderburk
Gagnon	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Haddon	Hardee
Hart	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Henegan	Hewitt	Hill
Hiott	Hixon	Hosey
Howard	Huggins	Hyde
Jefferson	Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kimmons	King
Kirby	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Lucas	Mace
Magnuson	Martin	Matthews
McCoy	McCrary	McDaniel
McGinnis	Moore	Morgan
D. C. Moss	V. S. Moss	Murphy
B. Newton	W. Newton	Norrell
Oremus	Ott	Parks
Pendarvis	Pope	Ridgeway
Rivers	Rose	Rutherford
Sandifer	Simrill	G. M. Smith
G. R. Smith	Sottile	Spires
Stavrinakis	Stringer	Tallon
Taylor	Thayer	Thigpen
Toole	Trantham	Weeks
West	White	Whitmire

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R. Williams
Wooten

S. Williams
Yow

Willis

Total Present--116

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

REP. COBB-HUNTER ADDRESSES THE HOUSE

Rep. COBB-HUNTER addressed the House remembering the life of Rena Grant, House Ways and Means Legislative Director.

SPECIAL PRAYER

The SPEAKER called upon the Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk, Jr., to lead the House in a special prayer for the loved ones of Ms. Rena Grant.

Words of comfort from Psalm 46: 1-7: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge."

Let us pray. O God of grace and glory, we remember before You today our sister Rena. We thank You for giving her to us to know and to love as a coworker, friend, and daughter. In Your boundless mercy and compassion, console us who mourn. Give us Your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life. May we continue our journey and our work on earth in confidence until by Your call we are reunited with those who have gone before us. Almighty God, source of all mercy and giver of comfort, we pray with those who mourn. Casting all their sorrow on You, may we know the consolation of Your love. Hear us O Lord, as we pray. Amen.

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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. 3286
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 JEFFERSON, OTT, RIDGEWAY, NORRELL,
RUTHERFORD, RIVERS, MCDANIEL, THIGPEN,
S. WILLIAMS, GOVAN, HOWARD,
R. WILLIAMS, HENDERSON-MYERS, PARKS,
BRADLEY, ERICKSON, WEEKS, BERNSTEIN,
KIRBY, HART and HILL

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3295
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 STRINGER

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3729
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 YOW

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CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3981
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 YOW

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4147
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 YOW

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4355
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 B. NEWTON

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4414
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 YOW

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4431
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 DANING

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4445
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 YOW

CO-SPONSORS ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4724
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 JEFFERSON and R. WILLIAMS

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4765
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 GILLIARD

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CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4990
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 TALLON

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 5016
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 YOW

CO-SPONSORS ADDED

Bill Number: H. 5139
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 YOW, DANING, MURPHY, KIMMONS,
MCCRAVY, HEWITT and B. COX

CO-SPONSORS ADDED

Bill Number: H. 5261
Date: ADD:
02/25/20 SANDIFER, WHITMIRE, RIDGEWAY,
FORRESTER, CLEMMONS and MCGINNIS

Rep. COBB-HUNTER moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:30 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. COBB-HUNTER, adjourned in memory of Rena Grant, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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