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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 Psalm 96:4: “For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; He is to be revered above all gods.”

 Let us pray. Blessings and honor, glory and might be with these Representatives and Staff as they work for the betterment of the State. Keep our first responders and defenders of freedom safe as they care for us. Look in favor upon our World, Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, Staff, and all who give of their time and effort to make the system work. Grant us peace as we continue our duties. Remember 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 *PRO TEMPORE*.

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

**MOTION ADOPTED**

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

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Rep. LIGON, from the Chester Delegation, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 657 -- Senator Fanning: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 3 OF ACT 802 OF 1954, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF THE CHESTER COUNTY NATURAL GAS AUTHORITY, SO AS TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF APPOINTMENT; AND TO AMEND SECTION 5 OF ACT 802 OF 1954, RELATING TO REVENUES, SO AS TO ALLOW THE BOARD TO UTILIZE NET REVENUES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. HOSEY, from the Barnwell Delegation, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 654 -- Senator Hutto: A BILL TO CONSOLIDATE BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 45, BARNWELL COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 80 INTO ONE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BE KNOWN AS THE BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO ABOLISH BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 45, BARNWELL COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 80 ON JULY 1, 2024; TO PROVIDE THAT THE BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST BE GOVERNED BY A BOARD OF TRUSTEES CONSISTING OF FIVE MEMBERS, WHICH INITIALLY MUST BE APPOINTED BY THE BARNWELL COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, AND BEGINNING WITH THE 2024 GENERAL ELECTION, EACH OF THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST BE ELECTED FROM SINGLE-MEMBER ELECTION DISTRICTS AS DELINEATED ON A DESIGNATED MAP NUMBER ON FILE WITH THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE; TO PROVIDE THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MUST BE ELECTED IN NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS CONDUCTED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE 2024 GENERAL ELECTION AND EVERY FOUR YEARS THEREAFTER, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS ACT TO STAGGER THE MEMBERS' TERMS; TO PROVIDE DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FOR THE NEWLY DRAWN ELECTION DISTRICTS; TO ESTABLISH THE BOARD'S POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT IS THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF THE DISTRICT AND IS RESPONSIBLE TO THE BOARD FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF ALL AFFAIRS OF THE DISTRICT AND SUBJECT TO ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATING TO HIS DUTIES; TO INCLUDE INTERIM MILLAGE PROVISIONS FOR YEARS 2024 AND 2025; AND TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN 2026, THE BARNWELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL HAVE TOTAL FISCAL AUTONOMY.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4239 -- Rep. McCravy: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND CONGRATULATE MAJOR CHRIS MORGAN UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE GREENWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT, TO THANK HIM FOR HIS TWENTY-SIX YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE WITH THE CITY OF GREENWOOD, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4240 -- Reps. Landing, Bustos, Hartnett, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE OCEANSIDE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY GIRLS TENNIS TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A REMARKABLE SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2022 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4241 -- Reps. Landing, Bustos, Hartnett, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE OCEANSIDE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY VOLLEYBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2022 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4242 -- Reps. Rivers, Erickson, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE BEAUFORT HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A STELLAR SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2022 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE, THE FIRST IN THE PROGRAM'S HISTORY SINCE 1945 AND THE FIRST SINCE PUBLIC SCHOOL INTEGRATION IN 1970 WHEN THE SCHOOLS OF BEAUFORT HIGH, ROBERT SMALLS HIGH, AND ST. HELENA HIGH MERGED INTO ONE SCHOOL.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4243 -- Reps. McCabe, Kilmartin, May, White, Ballentine, Caskey, Calhoon, Taylor, Forrest, Wooten, Ott, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Carter, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, Whitmire, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR BETH CARRIGG, A MEMBER OF THE LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL, AND TO CONGRATULATE HER UPON BEING ELECTED AS THE COUNCIL'S CHAIRWOMAN.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4244 -- Reps. Connell, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, A. M. Morgan, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AND SECURITY ASSOCIATION (NLSSA) TO USE THE CHAMBER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR ITS MEETING ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023; HOWEVER, THE CHAMBER MAY NOT BE USED IF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IS

IN SESSION OR THE CHAMBER IS OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 4245 -- Reps. A. M. Morgan, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Blackwell, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Carter, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, Connell, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Elliott, Erickson, Felder, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Henegan, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Hosey, Howard, Hyde, Jefferson, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, S. Jones, W. Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Leber, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Magnuson, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, J. Moore, T. Moore, T. A. Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Nutt, O'Neal, Oremus, Ott, Pace, Pedalino, Pendarvis, Pope, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sandifer, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Tedder, Thayer, Thigpen, Trantham, Vaughan, Weeks, West, Wetmore, Wheeler, White, Whitmire, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE OF MARTIN O'CONNOR, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE CHARTER INSTITUTE OF ERSKINE, AND TO WISH HIM A FUTURE BLESSED WITH GOOD HEALTH AND MUCH JOY.

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

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 629 -- Senators Shealy and Setzler: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THAT ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF CHILDREN IS A SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM, TO HONOR THE IMPORTANT WORK BEING DONE TO COMBAT CHILD ABUSE, AND TO DECLARE APRIL 4, 2023, AS "CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER DAY" IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Concurrent Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Education and Public Works.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 689 -- Senator Fanning: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PALMETTO BOYS STATE TO USE THE CHAMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023, PROVIDED THE SENATE OR HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IS NOT IN SESSION, AND THE CHAMBERS MAY NOT BE USED IF THE SENATE OR HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IS IN SESSION OR THE CHAMBERS ARE OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE.

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

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 699 -- Senator Loftis: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE OF MARTIN O'CONNOR, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE CHARTER INSTITUTE OF ERSKINE, AND TO WISH HIM A FUTURE BLESSED WITH GOOD HEALTH AND MUCH JOY.

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

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

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

H. 4246 -- Reps. Magnuson, A. M. Morgan, Harris, B. J. Cox, S. Jones, Pace, Kilmartin, White, Trantham, T. A. Morgan, McCabe, Cromer, Burns, Chumley, Beach, Oremus, M. M. Smith, O'Neal, Willis, Guffey, Long and White: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 27 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 1 SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE STATE OR ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF FEDERAL TREATIES BEFORE THE TREATY IS RATIFIED BY THE UNITED STATES SENATE.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4247 -- Rep. Ligon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "UNFAIR SERVICE AGREEMENTS ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 27 SO AS TO DEFINE TERMS, PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS, PROHIBIT THE RECORDING OF UNFAIR SERVICE CONTRACTS, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY, AMONG OTHER THINGS; AND TO DESIGNATE THE EXISTING PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 27 AS "GENERAL PROVISIONS".

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

H. 4248 -- Rep. Rose: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 61-4-50, RELATING TO THE SALE OF BEER, ALE, PORTER, OR WINE TO UNDERAGED PERSONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 61-6-4080, RELATING TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS TO AN UNDERAGED PERSON, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

S. 284 -- Senators Davis, Turner, Jackson, Scott, Kimpson, Senn, Campsen and Sabb: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1-530, RELATING TO USE OF REVENUE FROM LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF WORKFORCE HOUSING IS ONE OF THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAXES MAY BE USED; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1-730, RELATING TO USE OF REVENUE FROM LOCAL HOSPITALITY TAX, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF WORKFORCE HOUSING IS ONE OF THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH LOCAL HOSPITALITY TAXES MAY BE USED; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-4-10, RELATING TO A SPECIAL FUND FOR TOURISM; MANAGEMENT AND USE OF SPECIAL FUND, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF WORKFORCE HOUSING IS ONE OF THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE SPECIAL FUND MAY BE USED; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 6-4-15, RELATING TO USE OF REVENUES TO FINANCE BONDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF WORKFORCE HOUSING IS ONE OF THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH BONDS MAY BE ISSUED.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

S. 298 -- Senators Bennett, Turner, Kimbrell, Campsen and Adams: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-2320, RELATING TO ALTERNATE METHODS FOR THE ALLOCATION AND APPORTIONMENT OF INCOME FOR STATE INCOME TAX PURPOSES, SO AS TO SET FORTH A PROCESS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND TAXPAYERS TO ACCURATELY DETERMINE NET INCOME.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

S. 483 -- Senators Alexander, Peeler, Grooms, Williams, Massey, K. Johnson, Shealy, Turner, Gambrell, Climer, Talley, Kimbrell, Young, Goldfinch, Reichenbach, Verdin, Davis, Rice, M. Johnson, Hutto, Loftis, Corbin, Senn, Adams, Fanning, Martin, McElveen, Setzler, Gustafson, Campsen, Bennett, Garrett and Cromer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 37-1-102, RELATING TO THE PURPOSES OF THE CONSUMER PROTECTION CODE, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE PROMOTION OF EDUCATION FOR CONSUMERS, BEST PRACTICES FOR BUSINESSES, AND TO MEDIATE COMPLAINTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 37-6-106, RELATING TO INVESTIGATORY POWERS OF THE ADMINISTRATOR, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE PRESENTATION OF PROBABLE CAUSE BEFORE BEGINNING AN INVESTIGATION; BY AMENDING SECTION 37-6-108, RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT ORDERS OF THE ADMINISTRATOR, SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION BE PROVIDED BEFORE A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER IS ISSUED TO A BUSINESS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 37-2-307, RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE SALES CONTRACT CLOSING FEES, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE CLOSING FEE TO BE PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED WITH THE ADVERTISED PRICE.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

S. 549 -- Senator Grooms: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-395, RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEE PAYMENT PROGRAM, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DRIVERS' LICENSES ISSUED UNDER THIS PROGRAM ARE VALID FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS, TO REVISE THE AMOUNT OF REINSTATEMENT FEES OWED BY PERSONS TO BECOME ELIGIBLE TO OBTAIN THESE DRIVERS' LICENSES, TO REVISE THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES COLLECTED, TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES MAY PROVIDE PERSONS IN THE PROGRAM A FEE SCHEDULE OF THE AMOUNTS OWED AND THE ABILITY TO MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS, TO REVISE THE TYPES OF DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENSIONS THAT ARE COVERED BY THIS SECTION, AND TO REVISE THE FREQUENCY THAT PERSONS MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM AND THE CONDITIONS FOR FUTURE PARTICIPATION; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-396, RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENSION AMNESTY PERIOD, SO AS TO LIMIT THE TYPES OF QUALIFYING SUSPENSIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-10-240, RELATING TO REQUIREMENT THAT UPON LOSS OF INSURANCE, INSURED OBTAIN NEW INSURANCE OR SURRENDER REGISTRATION AND PLATES, WRITTEN NOTICE BY INSURER, SUSPENSION OF REGISTRATION AND PLATES, APPEAL OF SUSPENSION, ENFORCEMENT, AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO REVISE THE PERIOD OF TIME VEHICLE OWNERS MUST SURRENDER MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES AND REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES FOR CERTAIN UNINSURED MOTOR VEHICLES, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT GIVES THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES DISCRETION TO AUTHORIZE INSURERS TO UTILIZE ALTERNATE METHODS OF PROVIDING CERTAIN NOTICES TO THE DEPARTMENT, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT ALLOWS CERTAIN PERSONS TO APPEAL CERTAIN SUSPENSIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE FOR FAILURE TO MEET THE STATE'S FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS IN ERROR, AND TO ALLOW THESE PERSONS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS TO SHOW THE SUSPENSION WAS ISSUED IN ERROR; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-10-245, RELATING TO PER DIEM FINE FOR LAPSE IN REQUIRED MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE COVERAGE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE FINES CONTAINED IN THE SECTION MAY NOT EXCEED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS PER VEHICLE FOR A FIRST OFFENSE; BY AMENDING TITLE 56, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 5, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNINSURED MOTORIST FUND, SO AS TO REVISE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE TO REGULATE THE OPERATION OF UNINSURED MOTOR VEHICLES, TO DELETE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND COLLECTION OF UNINSURED MOTOR VEHICLE FEES, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, TO REVISE THE AMOUNT OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REINSTATEMENT FEE AND PROVIDE IT SHALL BE INCREASED ANNUALLY, TO PROVIDE SUSPENDED LICENSES, REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES, LICENSE PLATES, AND DECALS MAY BE RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY ELECTRONIC MEANS OR IN PERSON, AND TO DELETE THE PROVISIONS THAT REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO COLLECT STATISTICS REGARDING VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION, INSURANCE, AND UNINSURED MOTORIST FUND ISSUES; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-9-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT, SO AS TO REVISE A REFERENCE IN THE DEFINITION OF "UNINSURED MOTOR VEHICLE"; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-210, RELATING TO TIME PERIOD FOR PROCURING MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND LICENSE, TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATES, AND TRANSFER OF LICENSE PLATES, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATE AND WHO MAY DISTRIBUTE TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-211 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATES TO CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES AND FARM TRUCKS; BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-212 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATES TO CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-213 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE SPECIAL PERMITS TO OPERATE CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-2340, RELATING TO LICENSED MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS ISSUING FIRST TIME REGISTRATIONS AND LICENSE PLATES FROM DEALERSHIP; CERTIFICATION OF THIRD-PARTY PROVIDERS; AND FEES, SO AS TO REVISE THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS AND LICENSE PLATES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-214 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHALL IMPLEMENT A QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM TO ENSURE THE INTEGRITY OF THE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION AND TITLING PROGRAM; BY AMENDING SECTION 8-21-15, RELATING TO NO FEE FOR PERFORMING DUTY, RESPONSIBILITY, OR FUNCTION OF AGENCY UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY STATUTE AND REGULATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN AGENCY MAY COLLECT VENDOR FEES, CONVENIENCE FEES, TRANSACTION FEES, OR SIMILAR FEES WHEN RECEIVING PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-14-30, RELATING TO LICENSE FOR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEALER, EXHIBITION LICENSE, FEES, AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO REVISE THE PENALTIES FOR THE UNAUTHORIZED SALE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-14-40, RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEALER LICENSES, BONDS, AND THE DUTY TO NOTIFY DEPARTMENT WHERE INFORMATION GIVEN BY APPLICANT CHANGES OR LICENSE CEASES OPERATIONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE BOND AMOUNTS REQUIRED, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF BACK TAXES OR FEES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUANCE OF THE BUSINESS IN THE EVENT OF A LICENSEE'S DEATH; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-14-50, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS REGARDING A DEALER'S MAINTENANCE OF BONA FIDE PLACE OF BUSINESS AND PERMANENT SIGNS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR BUSINESS OPERATIONS ON PROPERTY ADJACENT TO A LICENSEE'S BONA FIDE ESTABLISHED PLACE OF BUSINESS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-14-70, RELATING TO DENIAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION OF A DEALER LICENSE, SO AS TO REVISE THE REASONS THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY DENY, SUSPEND, OR REVOKE A LICENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-15-310, RELATING TO LICENSE REQUIRED, TERM OF LICENSE, FEES, SCOPE OF LICENSE, AND PENALTY FOR VIOLATION, SO AS TO INCREASE THE TIME PERIOD FOR A VALID LICENSE TO THIRTY-SIX MONTHS AND TO PROVIDE FOR A CURE PERIOD FOR CERTAIN COMPLAINTS FROM CONSUMERS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-15-320, RELATING TO APPLICATION FOR LICENSES, BONDS, AND DUTIES UPON CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES AND TERMINATION OF BUSINESS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A NEW BOND MUST BE POSTED EVERY TWELVE MONTHS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECOVERY OF BACK TAXES AND FEES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUATION BUSINESS IN THE EVENT OF A LICENSEE'S DEATH; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-15-330, RELATING TO FACILITIES REQUIRED FOR ISSUANCE OF DEALER'S LICENSE, SO AS TO INCLUDE WHOLESALERS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR BUSINESS OPERATIONS ON PROPERTY ADJACENT TO OR WITHIN SIGHT OF HIS BONA FIDE ESTABLISHED PLACE OF BUSINESS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-15-350, RELATING TO DENIAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE, GROUNDS, AND PROCEDURE, SO AS TO REVISE THE GROUNDS FOR DENIAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION OF A LICENSE; BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-30 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN ACTIONS THAT ONLY A LICENSED DEALER MAY UNDERTAKE; TO ESTABLISH THE MOTOR VEHICLE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION SYSTEM AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EVALUATION PROCESS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-16-140, RELATING TO LICENSE FOR MOTORCYCLE DEALER OR WHOLESALER, EXHIBITION LICENSE, FEES, AND PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE LICENSE LASTS FOR THIRTY-SIX MONTHS AND TO REVISE THE PENALTIES FOR A DEALER SELLING A MOTORCYCLE WITHOUT A LICENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-16-150, RELATING TO APPLICATION FOR MOTORCYCLE DEALER'S OR WHOLESALER'S LICENSE, BONDS, AND THE DUTY TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES WHERE INFORMATION GIVEN BY APPLICANT CHANGES OR LICENSEE CEASES OPERATIONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE BOND REQUIREMENTS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECOVERY OF BACK TAXES AND FEES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUATION OF BUSINESS IN THE EVENT OF A LICENSEE'S DEATH; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-16-160, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS REGARDING A MOTORCYCLE DEALER'S MAINTENANCE OF BONA FIDE ESTABLISHED PLACE OF BUSINESS, SIZE OF BUSINESS, AND PERMANENT SIGN, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A DEALER MAY CONDUCT BUSINESS ON PROPERTY ADJACENT TO HIS BONA FIDE ESTABLISHED PLACE OF BUSINESS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-16-180, RELATING TO DENIAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE, SO AS TO REVISE THE REASONS THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY DENY, SUSPEND, OR REVOKE A LICENSE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 56-19-370, RELATING TO PROCEDURES FOR VOLUNTARY TRANSFER AND DEALER PURCHASING VEHICLE FOR RESALE, SO AS TO REVISE THE PROCEDURE FOR TITLING AND REGISTERING A VEHICLE.

Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works

S. 602 -- Senators Shealy, Alexander, Peeler, Garrett, Reichenbach, Rice, Hembree, Bennett, Cromer, Campsen, Massey, Cash, M. Johnson, Climer, Turner, Grooms, Talley, Gustafson, Davis, Setzler, Senn, Hutto and McElveen: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 1-30-35, RELATING TO THE COMPOSITION AND GOVERNANCE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR UPON THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; BY AMENDING TITLE 44 BY REMOVING CHAPTER 20 AND INSERTING IT INTO TITLE 43; TO AMEND CHAPTER 20 TO ELIMINATE THE COMMISSION AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE DEPARTMENT; TO REENACT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT AND ITS POWERS AND DUTIES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD IS A DIRECTOR APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; TO TRANSFER THE POWERS AND DUTIES VESTED IN THE COMMISSION TO THE DIRECTOR; TO TRANSFER FROM THE COMMISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT THE AUTHORITY TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS; TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; AND BY REPEALING CHAPTER 20, TITLE 44.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

**ROLL CALL**

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

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bauer | Beach | Bernstein |
| Blackwell | Bradley | Brewer |
| Brittain | Burns | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Carter | Caskey |
| Chapman | Chumley | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Collins | Connell |
| B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox | Cromer |
| Davis | Dillard | Elliott |
| Erickson | Felder | Forrest |
| Gagnon | Garvin | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Hardee | Harris | Hart |
| Hartnett | Hayes | Henderson-Myers |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hosey |
| Howard | Hyde | Jefferson |
| J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson | S. Jones |
| W. Jones | Jordan | Kilmartin |
| King | Kirby | Landing |
| Lawson | Leber | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Magnuson |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| J. Moore | T. Moore | T. A. Morgan |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Nutt |
| O'Neal | Oremus | Ott |
| Pace | Pedalino | Pendarvis |
| Pope | Rivers | Robbins |
| Rose | Rutherford | Sandifer |
| Schuessler | Sessions | M. M. Smith |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Thayer |
| Thigpen | Trantham | Vaughan |
| Weeks | West | Wetmore |
| Wheeler | White | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total Present--118**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. LAWSON a temporary leave of absence due to a death in the family.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. T. A. MOORE a temporary leave of absence.

.**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. CRAWFORD a temporary leave of absence.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. GATCH a leave of absence due to a family court hearing conflict.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. G. M. SMITH a temporary leave of absence due to a medical appointment.

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. Todd Gandy of Columbia was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

**“**5.2Every 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**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3394 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | SANDIFER and HARTNETT |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3514 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | BREWER |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3553 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | MAGNUSON, YOW and POPE |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3554 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | TAYLOR and POPE |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3555 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | TAYLOR and POPE |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3556 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | MAGNUSON, PACE, TAYLOR and POPE |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3557 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | PACE, MAGNUSON, TAYLOR, POPE and WEEKS |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3558 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | TAYLOR and POPE |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3563 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | WHEELER |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3583 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | COBB-HUNTER |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3607 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | CHAPMAN |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3690 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | LANDING |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3695 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | POPE |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3785 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | BUSTOS and HARRIS |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3798 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | VAUGHAN |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3877 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | CHAPMAN |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3908 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | MURPHY, SANDIFER, HARTNETT, ROBBINS, BREWER, POPE, PACE, HENEGAN, WILLIAMS and WHEELER |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3953 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | WEEKS |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4020 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | TAYLOR |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4087 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | BREWER, HARTNETT and MURPHY |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4118 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | HENEGAN and WILLIAMS |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4179 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | KING and RIVERS |

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4183 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | TRANTHAM, LANDING, BUSTOS, HARTNETT, B. J. COX, S. JONES, A. M. MORGAN, T. A. MORGAN and MAY |

**CO-SPONSOR ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 4232 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 04/04/23 | TAYLOR |

**H. 4215--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4215 -- Rep. Hyde: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 106 OF 2015, RELATING TO THE ELECTION DISTRICTS FROM WHICH MEMBERS OF THE SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 5 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MUST BE ELECTED, SO AS TO REAPPORTION THESE ELECTION DISTRICTS, TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THESE DISTRICTS ARE DELINEATED AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE, AND TO PROVIDE DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION REGARDING THESE REVISED ELECTION DISTRICTS.

Rep. HYDE moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 4216--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4216 -- Rep. Hyde: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 107 OF 2015, RELATING TO THE ELECTION DISTRICTS FROM WHICH MEMBERS OF THE SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 7 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MUST BE ELECTED, SO AS TO REAPPORTION THESE ELECTION DISTRICTS, TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THESE DISTRICTS ARE DELINEATED AND MAINTAINED BY THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE, AND TO PROVIDE DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION REGARDING THESE REVISED ELECTION DISTRICTS.

Rep. HYDE moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3414--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3414 -- Reps. Wooten, Pope, Yow, M. M. Smith, Burns and Forrest: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-4445, RELATING TO THE RESTRICTIONS ON ELEVATING OR LOWERING MOTOR VEHICLES, SO AS TO PROHIBIT MOTOR VEHICLE MODIFICATIONS THAT RESULT IN THE MOTOR VEHICLES' FRONT FENDERS BEING RAISED FOUR OR MORE INCHES ABOVE OR BELOW THE HEIGHT OF THE REAR FENDERS, TO PROVIDE THE FORMULA FOR MEASURING THE HEIGHT OF THE FENDERS, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES.

Rep. WOOTEN proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3414 (LC-3414.CM0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 56-5-4445(B)(1) and inserting:

 (B)(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to drive a passenger motor vehicle, including motor vehicles commonly referred to as pickup trucks, on the highways of this State if, by alteration of the suspension, frame, or chassis, the height of the front fender is raised or lowered four or more inches above or below the height of the rear fender. For the purposes of this subsection, the height of the fender shall be a vertical measurement from and perpendicular to the ground, through the centerline of the wheel, and to the bottom of the fender. As contained in this item, “fender” means the pressed and formed part mounted over the road wheels of a motor vehicle to reduce the splashing of mud, water, and similar substances.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. WOOTEN explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 104; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bauer |
| Beach | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Carter | Caskey | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| Connell | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Hardee | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hayes | Henegan |
| Hewitt | Hiott | Hixon |
| Hosey | Howard | Hyde |
| Jefferson | W. Jones | Jordan |
| Kilmartin | King | Landing |
| Leber | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Magnuson | May |
| McCabe | McCravy | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Nutt | O'Neal |
| Oremus | Ott | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pendarvis | Pope |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Rutherford | Sandifer | Schuessler |
| Sessions | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Thayer | Trantham |
| Vaughan | Weeks | West |
| Wetmore | Wheeler | White |
| Whitmire | Williams | Willis |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total—104**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3267--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3267 -- Rep. W. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY REPEALING SECTION 1-7-117 RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

Rep. MCCRAVY explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 98; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Bailey | Ballentine |
| Bannister | Bauer | Beach |
| Blackwell | Bradley | Brewer |
| Brittain | Burns | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Caskey | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Collins | Connell |
| B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox | Cromer |
| Davis | Dillard | Elliott |
| Erickson | Forrest | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Guest | Guffey |
| Haddon | Hager | Hardee |
| Harris | Hartnett | Hayes |
| Henegan | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Hyde | Jefferson | W. Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Landing | Leber | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Magnuson |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| A. M. Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Nutt | O'Neal | Oremus |
| Ott | Pace | Pendarvis |
| Pope | Rivers | Robbins |
| Rose | Rutherford | Sandifer |
| Sessions | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Thayer | Trantham |
| Vaughan | Weeks | West |
| Wetmore | Wheeler | White |
| Whitmire | Williams | Willis |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total--98**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3500--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3500 -- Rep. W. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 30-5-35, RELATING TO DERIVATION CLAUSES ON DEEDS AND MORTGAGES, SO AS TO PROVIDE ALL MORTGAGES AND DEEDS EXECUTED AFTER JUNE 30, 2023, MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION IDENTIFYING THE PARTY WHO PREPARED THE INSTRUMENT OR THE ATTORNEY LICENSED IN THIS STATE WHO ASSISTED IN THE CLOSING OF THE INSTRUMENT.

The Committee on Judiciary proposed the following Amendment
No. 1 to H. 3500 (LC-3500.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 30-5-35(2) and (bB) and inserting:

 (2) In order to be recorded, a deed or mortgage of real estate executed after December 31, 2023, also must identify either the:

 (a) preparer of the instrument and provide his contact information; or

 (b) attorney licensed to practice in this State who assisted with the closing of the instrument.

 (bB) A clerk of court or register of deeds shall may not record any deed or mortgage after July 1, 1976, unless it contains a derivation clause as prescribed in subsection (aA)(1); provided, however, that he may record a deed or mortgage without such clause upon a showing satisfactory to him that the necessary information for such clause was not available. Additionally, a clerk of court or register of deeds may not record any deed or mortgage executed after December 31, 2023, unless the instrument contains information identifying the preparer of the instrument or the closing attorney of the instrument as required in subsection (A)(2).

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. MCCRAVY explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 108; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bauer |
| Beach | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Carter | Caskey | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| Connell | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Hardee | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hayes | Henegan |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Hyde | Jefferson | W. Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Leber |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Magnuson | May | McCabe |
| McCravy | McDaniel | McGinnis |
| Mitchell | A. M. Morgan | T. A. Morgan |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Nutt | O'Neal |
| Oremus | Ott | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pendarvis | Pope |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Rutherford | Sandifer | Schuessler |
| Sessions | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Thayer | Thigpen |
| Trantham | Vaughan | Weeks |
| West | Wetmore | Wheeler |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Wooten | Yow |

**Total--108**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3553--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3553 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Erickson, Crawford, Hewitt, Davis, T. Moore, McCravy, B. Newton, West, Burns, Mitchell, Pace, S. Jones, White, Hixon, Hiott, Oremus, M. M. Smith, Landing, W. Newton, Robbins, Brewer, Cromer, Weeks, Wheeler, Magnuson, Yow and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-9-750, RELATING TO FINAL ADOPTION HEARINGS, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY NINETY-DAY WAITING PERIOD TO FINALIZE AN ADOPTION.

Rep. BERNSTEIN explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 107; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bauer |
| Beach | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Carter | Caskey | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| Connell | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Elliott | Erickson | Forrest |
| Gagnon | Garvin | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Hardee | Harris | Hayes |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hosey |
| Howard | Hyde | Jefferson |
| W. Jones | Jordan | Kilmartin |
| King | Kirby | Landing |
| Leber | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Magnuson | May |
| McCabe | McCravy | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | A. M. Morgan |
| T. A. Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Nutt | O'Neal | Oremus |
| Ott | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pendarvis | Pope | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Rutherford |
| Sandifer | Schuessler | Sessions |
| M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Thayer | Thigpen | Trantham |
| Vaughan | Weeks | West |
| Wetmore | Wheeler | White |
| Whitmire | Williams | Willis |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total--107**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3554--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3554 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Erickson, Crawford, Hewitt, Davis, T. Moore, McCravy, B. Newton, West, Burns, Mitchell, Pace, Yow, Hixon, Hiott, Oremus, M. M. Smith, Landing, W. Newton, Robbins, Brewer, Cromer, Weeks, Wheeler, Taylor and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-9-520, RELATING TO ADOPTION INVESTIGATIONS AND REPORTS, SO AS TO GIVE THE COURT THE DISCRETION TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN PREPLACEMENT REPORTS AND ANY POSTPLACEMENT INVESTIGATION AND REPORT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63-9-510, RELATING TO TEMPORARY PLACEMENT AND CUSTODY OF ADOPTEES, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Rep. BERNSTEIN explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 106; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bauer |
| Beach | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Carter |
| Caskey | Chapman | Chumley |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| Connell | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Hardee | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hayes | Henegan |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Hyde | Jefferson | S. Jones |
| W. Jones | Jordan | Kilmartin |
| Kirby | Landing | Leber |
| Ligon | Long | Magnuson |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| A. M. Morgan | T. A. Morgan | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | W. Newton |
| Nutt | O'Neal | Oremus |
| Ott | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pendarvis | Pope | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Rutherford |
| Sandifer | Schuessler | Sessions |
| M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Thayer | Thigpen | Trantham |
| Vaughan | Weeks | West |
| Wetmore | Wheeler | Whitmire |
| Williams | Willis | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--106**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3555--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3555 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Erickson, Crawford, Hewitt, Davis, T. Moore, McCravy, B. Newton, West, Mitchell, Yow, Carter, Hixon, Hiott, Oremus, Landing, W. Newton, Robbins, Brewer, Weeks, Taylor and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-1700, RELATING TO PERMANENCY PLANNING, SO AS TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES TO PROMOTE TIMELY PERMANENCE FOR CHILDREN IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES; BY AMENDING SECTIONS 63-7-1710, 63-7-2530, AND 63-7-1660, RELATING TO TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND REMOVAL ACTIONS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63-9-710, RELATING TO PETITIONS FOR ADOPTION, SO AS TO ADDRESS THE FILING OF ADOPTION PETITIONS FOR CHILDREN IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

The Committee on Judiciary proposed the following Amendment
No. 1 to H. 3555 (LC-3555.VR0002H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 63-7-1700(E)(2) and inserting:

 (2) If the child has been placed in a prospective adoptive home at the time of the completion of the hearing at which the court approves a permanent plan of termination of parental rights and adoption, the department may file a petition for adoption together with the petition for termination of parental rights; provided, however, the department must file the petition for adoption no later than thirty days after filing the petition for termination of parental rights.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, by striking Section 63-7-1700(E)(1) and inserting:

 (1) (a) “~~thorough~~ Thorough adoption assessment” means conducting and documenting face‑to‑face interviews with the child, foster care providers, relatives, and other significant parties, including fictive kin; and.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, by striking Section 63-7-1700(G) and inserting:

 (G) If after assessing the viability of adoption, the department demonstrates that termination of parental rights is not in the child's best interests, the court may award custody or legal guardianship, or both, to a suitable, fit, and willing relative, fictive kin, or nonrelative if the court finds this to be in the best interest of the child; however, a home study on the individual whom the department is recommending for custody of the child must be submitted to the court for consideration before custody or legal guardianship, or both, are awarded. The court may order a specified period of supervision and services not to exceed twelve months, and the court may authorize a period of visitation or trial placement prior to receiving a home study.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 4, by striking Section 63-7-1660(H)(1) and inserting:

(1) If the court removes custody of the child and there is a pending petition for termination of parental rights filed by the department, the department shall promptly exercise and document every reasonable effort to promote and expedite an adoptive placement and the adoption of the child, and the department must not delay adoption planning because of a pending termination of parental rights action or because of an upcoming permanency planning hearing.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. BERNSTEIN explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 108; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bannister | Bauer | Beach |
| Bernstein | Blackwell | Bradley |
| Brewer | Brittain | Burns |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Carter |
| Caskey | Chapman | Chumley |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| Connell | B. J. Cox | B. L. Cox |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Elliott | Erickson | Felder |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Hardee | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hayes | Henegan |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Hosey | Howard |
| Hyde | Jefferson | S. Jones |
| W. Jones | Jordan | Kilmartin |
| King | Kirby | Landing |
| Leber | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Magnuson | May |
| McCabe | McCravy | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | A. M. Morgan |
| T. A. Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Nutt | O'Neal | Oremus |
| Ott | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pendarvis | Pope | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Rutherford |
| Sandifer | Schuessler | M. M. Smith |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Thayer |
| Trantham | Vaughan | Weeks |
| West | Wetmore | Wheeler |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Wooten | Yow |

**Total--108**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3556--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3556 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Erickson, Crawford, Hewitt, Davis, T. Moore, McCravy, B. Newton, Mitchell, Yow, Hixon, Hiott, Oremus, W. Newton, Robbins, Brewer, Weeks, Wheeler, Magnuson, Pace, Taylor and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-40, RELATING TO INFANT SAFE HAVENS, SO AS TO ALLOW THE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING AND TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS HEARING TO OCCUR IN THE SAME PROCEEDING, WITH EXCEPTIONS.

Rep. BERNSTEIN explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

 Yeas 111; Nays 0

 Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bauer |
| Beach | Bernstein | Blackwell |
| Bradley | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Carter | Caskey | Chapman |
| Chumley | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | Connell | B. J. Cox |
| B. L. Cox | Cromer | Davis |
| Dillard | Elliott | Erickson |
| Felder | Forrest | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Guest | Guffey |
| Haddon | Hager | Hardee |
| Harris | Hartnett | Hayes |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Hosey |
| Howard | Hyde | Jefferson |
| S. Jones | W. Jones | Jordan |
| Kilmartin | King | Kirby |
| Landing | Leber | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Magnuson |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| A. M. Morgan | T. A. Morgan | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Nutt | O'Neal |
| Oremus | Ott | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pendarvis | Pope |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Rutherford | Sandifer | Schuessler |
| Sessions | M. M. Smith | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Thayer | Thigpen |
| Trantham | Vaughan | Weeks |
| West | Wetmore | Wheeler |
| White | Whitmire | Williams |
| Willis | Wooten | Yow |

**Total--111**

 Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

**H. 3557--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3557 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Erickson, Crawford, Hewitt, Davis, T. Moore, B. Newton, Mitchell, Yow, Hixon, Hiott, Landing, W. Newton, Robbins, Brewer, Pace, Magnuson, Taylor, Pope and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-20, RELATING TO CHILDREN'S CODE DEFINITIONAL TERMS, SO AS TO ADD AND CHANGE DEFINITIONS CONCERNING CHILD ABANDONMENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-9-310, RELATING TO PERSONS WHOSE CONSENT TO ADOPTION IS REQUIRED, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES' CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR ABANDONED CHILDREN; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63-9-320, RELATING TO PERSONS WHOSE CONSENT TO ADOPTION IS NOT REQUIRED, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE PARENT OF AN ABANDONED CHILD.

Rep. BERNSTEIN moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3558--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3558 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Erickson, Crawford, Hewitt, Davis, T. Moore, B. Newton, Mitchell, Yow, Carter, Hixon, Hiott, Landing, W. Newton, Robbins, Brewer, Weeks, Wheeler, Taylor and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTIONS 63-7-693 AND 63-7-696 SO AS TO REQUIRE PARTIES TO EXECUTE A SAFETY PLAN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES MAY PLACE A CHILD OUTSIDE THE HOME WITHOUT TAKING LEGAL CUSTODY, TO ESTABLISH LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OF A SAFETY PLAN FOR CHILD PROTECTION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-650, RELATING TO THE PLACEMENT OF A CHILD OUTSIDE THE HOME INSTEAD OF ENTERING STATE CUSTODY, SO AS TO CHANGE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO ASSESSING THE SAFETY AND APPROPRIATENESS OF AN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-690, RELATING TO THE ALLOWABLE TIMEFRAME TO MAKE AN INTERIM OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT OF A CHILD, SO AS TO CHANGE THE TIMEFRAME; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-730, RELATING TO EXPEDITED PLACEMENT OF CHILD WITH A RELATIVE AT THE PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Rep. BERNSTEIN moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3865--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3865 -- Reps. Hiott, Collins, Rutherford, Carter and Robbins: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 17-5-130, RELATING TO CORONER QUALIFICATIONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE LICENSED PARAMEDICS WITH AT LEAST THREE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AS ONE OF THE ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS A CORONER MUST HAVE.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**S. 380--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 380 -- Senators Shealy, McElveen, Hutto, Jackson, Gustafson and Young: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO DEFINE LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO DEFINE LEGAL GUARDIAN; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-1700, RELATING TO PERMANENCY PLANNING, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR PROCEDURES TO ESTABLISH LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP WITH SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS WHEN ADOPTION IS NOT AN OPTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-1700, RELATING TO PERMANENCY PLANNING, SO AS TO PROVIDE CONFORMING LANGUAGE; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-1705 SO AS TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR INITIATING THE JUDICIAL ESTABLISHMENT OF LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP WITH SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2810 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE PURPOSE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP WITH SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2820 SO AS TO DEFINE THE TERMS; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2830 SO AS TO ESTABLISH AN ONGOING PROGRAM OF SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FOR LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2840 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP WITH SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2850 SO AS TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR WRITTEN AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND LEGAL GUARDIANS; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2860 SO AS TO PROVIDE A METHOD FOR REVIEW OF DECISIONS THAT ARE ADVERSE TO THE LEGAL GUARDIAN; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2870 SO AS TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 63-7-2880; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-1-20, RELATING TO POLICY, SO AS TO INCLUDE LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP WHEN ADOPTION IS NOT APPROPRIATE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-2350, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON FOSTER CARE OR ADOPTION PLACEMENTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE PLACEMENT OF A CHILD IN A LEGAL GUARDIAN'S HOME.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3138--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3138 -- Rep. Bustos: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 7 TO TITLE 55 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISPOSAL OF ABANDONED OR DERELICT AIRCRAFT BY AN AIRPORT MANAGER.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3691--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3691 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Davis, B. L. Cox, Pace, Guest, Leber, J. E. Johnson, Pope, Brittain, McGinnis, Hardee, Hewitt, Jordan, Thayer, Anderson, Rutherford, Trantham, Bailey, Schuessler, Gagnon, Beach, Oremus, Forrest, S. Jones, Taylor, Hixon, Blackwell, Collins, Bannister, Hiott, Carter, O'Neal, Ligon, Guffey, Sessions, T. Moore, Nutt, Hayes, Yow, Mitchell, Connell, Hager, B. Newton, White, Landing, Kirby, Moss, Bustos, Long, Caskey, Cromer and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 17-5-135 SO AS TO ALLOW CORONERS TO POSSESS AND ADMINISTER OPIOID ANTIDOTES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; BY ADDING SECTION 44-130-90 SO AS TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF OPIOID ANTIDOTES BY CORONERS AND THE REPORTING OF THEIR USE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 17-5-510, RELATING TO DUTIES OF CORONERS AND MEDICAL EXAMINERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CORONERS ARE CONSIDERED PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS IF KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3870--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3870 -- Reps. Wooten, Erickson, Caskey, Ballentine, West, Hewitt, Wetmore, Dillard, M. M. Smith and Davis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 40-43-72 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE PERMITTING AND OPERATION OF NARCOTIC TREATMENT PROGRAMS, TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR NARCOTIC TREATMENT PROGRAMS AND THEIR ASSOCIATED PHARMACISTS, PRACTITIONERS, AND PRACTITIONER AGENTS, TO REQUIRE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY TO FULFILL CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 44-53-720, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF METHADONE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3877--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3877 -- Reps. West, J. Moore, M. M. Smith, Atkinson, B. J. Cox, Gagnon, Hayes, Caskey and Chapman: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-1250, RELATING TO SUPERVISION OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS' ASSISTANTS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS' ASSISTANTS THAT AN ANESTHESIOLOGIST MAY SUPERVISE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-1240, RELATING TO LICENSURE OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST'S ASSISTANTS, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT LICENSURE APPLICANTS MUST APPEAR BEFORE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND PRESENT EVIDENCE OF CERTAIN RELEVANT ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS AND KNOWLEDGE.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

**H. 3690--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3690 -- Reps. Taylor, G. M. Smith, Thayer, Bradley, Hiott, Bannister, W. Newton, Sandifer, West, Davis, Erickson, J. E. Johnson, Jordan, Whitmire, Hixon, Elliott, Forrest, Wooten, Bustos, Willis, Yow, Carter, Hartnett, Moss, McCravy, B. J. Cox, Haddon, Burns, Chumley, Oremus, Hardee, Ligon, Long, Gilliam, Magnuson, Lawson, Nutt, Brewer, Guffey, Hager, Mitchell, Neese, Sessions, Vaughan, Robbins, Kilmartin, M. M. Smith, B. Newton, Hewitt, Leber, Pope, Blackwell, Caskey and Landing: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO ENACT THE "ESG PENSION PROTECTION ACT"; BY AMENDING SECTION 9-16-10, RELATING TO RETIREMENT SYSTEM FUNDS DEFINITIONS SO AS TO ADD A DEFINITION OF "PECUNIARY FACTOR"; BY AMENDING SECTION 9-16-30, RELATING TO DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS BY THE COMMISSION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PROXY VOTING DECISIONS MUST BE BASED ON PECUNIARY FACTORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 9-16-50, RELATING TO INVESTMENT AND MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS BY TRUSTEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE COMMISSION MAY ONLY CONSIDER PECUNIARY FACTORS IN MAKING CERTAIN INVESTMENT DECISIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 9-16-320, RELATING TO ANNUAL INVESTMENT PLANS SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN MEETINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 9-16-330, RELATING TO STATEMENT OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES, SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN CERTIFICATIONS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 9-16-110 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY BRING AN ACTION TO ENFORCE CERTAIN PROVISIONS.

Reps. HIOTT, TAYLOR, CARTER, B. NEWTON, GUFFEY, MCCRAVY, GUEST, B. L. COX, PACE, MAGNUSON, HARRIS, HIXON, OREMUS, BLACKWELL, HENEGAN, WILLIAMS, BEACH, CROMER, ANDERSON, KIRBY, HOSEY, HEWITT, KING, BERNSTEIN, BAUER, ROBBINS, GARVIN, WHITE, S. JONES, MOSS, MITCHELL, SANDIFER, WHITMIRE, MAY, MCCABE, VAUGHAN, B. J. COX and ELLIOTT requested debate on the Bill.

Rep. HIOTT 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. 4235 -- Rep. G. M. Smith: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO HONOR DAVID M. BEASLEY ON THE OCCASION OF THE CONCLUSION OF HIS SERVICE AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME, AND TO INVITE HIM TO ADDRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION IN THE CHAMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT 12:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:02 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. COBB-HUNTER, adjourned in memory of Dr. Irene McCollum, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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