

HOUSE TO MEET AT 10:00 A.M.

NO. 26

**CALENDAR
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**



REGULAR SESSION BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2026



**YORK TECHNICAL COLLEGE
2025 SKILLS USA NATIONAL LEADERSHIP
AND SKILLS CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM**

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INVITATIONS

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Members of the House and staff, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the South Carolina Fraternal Order of Police.

(Accepted--January 22, 2026)

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the South Carolina Technical College System.

(Accepted--January 22, 2026)

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, reception, The Palmetto Club, 1231 Sumter Street, by the Association of ABC Stores of South Carolina.

(Accepted--January 22, 2026)

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, reception, 551 Granby Lane, by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources.

(Accepted--January 22, 2026)

Thursday, February 26, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Members of the House and staff, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the Coalition for Access to Health Care.

(Accepted--January 22, 2026)

Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, reception, 1208 Washington Place, by Clemson University, the Clemson Foundation, and the Clemson University Alumni Association.

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, reception, the Columbia Art Museum, by the South Carolina REALTORS.

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Members of the House and staff, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network.

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, luncheon, State House Grounds, by the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association.

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, reception, Steel Hands Vista, 705 Gervais Street A, by HCA Healthcare.

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Members of the House and staff, reception, SC Farm Bureau office, located at 724 Knox Abbott Drive, by the South Carolina Farm Bureau Federation.

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

Thursday, March 5, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Members of the House, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the South Carolina Emergency Management Association (SCEMA).

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Members of the House, staff and families, the 33rd Legislative Softball game, USC's Founders Park, located at 431 Williams Street, by BlueCross and BlueShield of South Carolina.

(Accepted--February 19, 2026)

ELECTIONS

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 12:00 Noon

AN ACT SETTING 12:00 NOON OF THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF MARCH 2026, FOR THE ELECTIONS OF JUDGES BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(Under S.336--Adopted--January 30, 2026)

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

TO FIX 1:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026, AS THE TIME TO ELECT A MEMBER TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT FOR A TERM EXPIRING ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A MEMBER TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT FOR A TERM EXPIRING

ON JUNE 30, 2028; TO ELECT A MEMBER TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT FOR A TERM EXPIRING ON JUNE 30, 2028; AND TO ELECT A MEMBER TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT FOR A TERM EXPIRING ON JUNE 30, 2028.

(Under S.921--Adopted--February 12, 2026)

JOINT ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 12:30 p.m.

TO WELCOME THE NATIONAL COMMANDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, THE HONORABLE DAN K. WILEY, AND TO INVITE HIM TO ADDRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION IN THE CHAMBER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT 12:30 P.M., ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2026.

(Under S.881--Adopted--February 12, 2026)

SPECIAL INTRODUCTIONS/ RECOGNITIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIRD READING STATEWIDE UNCONTESTED BILLS

H. 3774--Reps. J. E. Johnson, Stavrinakis, Jordan, McCravy, C. Mitchell, Hart, Rivers and Gilliard: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 42-1-560, RELATING TO THE NOTICE REQUIREMENT FOR FILING A THIRD-PARTY ACTION IN A WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM, SO AS TO MAKE THE FILING OF A NOTICE FORM PERMISSIVE.

(Judiciary Com.--January 16, 2025)

(Favorable--January 29, 2026)

(Read second time--February 24, 2026)

H. 4709--Reps. Yow, C. Mitchell, M. M. Smith, Williams, Willis, Schuessler, Erickson, Bradley, Kirby, Brewer and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 11-35-5350 SO AS TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC ENTITY ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT FOR A PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT OR FOR THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS FOR A PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT MUST

INCLUDE IN THE CONTRACT A REQUIREMENT THAT ANY IRON OR STEEL PRODUCT PERMANENTLY INCORPORATED IN THE PROJECT BE PRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES, AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS.

(Prefiled--Tuesday, December 16, 2025)

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--January 13, 2026)

(Favorable--February 19, 2026)

(Request for debate by Rep. Bamberg)

(Read second time--February 24, 2026)

H. 4730--Reps. Herbkersman, Erickson, Wooten, Ligon, Williams and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-11-360, RELATING TO EXEMPTIONS OF SIGN AND BILLBOARD INSTALLATION, REPAIR, OR MAINTENANCE FROM CONTRACTOR LICENSURE, SO AS TO INCLUDE BILLBOARD STRUCTURES.

(Prefiled--Tuesday, December 16, 2025)

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--January 13, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--February 19, 2026)

(Amended and read second time--February 24, 2026)

H. 4752--Reps. Wooten, McCabe, Edgerton, White and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-7-230, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE AS A BARBER, SO AS TO REMOVE THE APPRENTICESHIP REQUIREMENT.

(Prefiled--Tuesday, December 16, 2025)

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--January 13, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--February 19, 2026)

(Amended and read second time--February 24, 2026)

H. 5140--Reps. Ligon, Herbkersman, Kirby and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 26-1-100, RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF NOTARIAL FEES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM FEES TO TEN DOLLARS.

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--February 10, 2026)

(Favorable--February 19, 2026)

(Read second time--February 24, 2026)

H. 5162--Reps. Herbkersman, Bernstein, Rivers, Weeks, Hardee, W. Newton, Brittain, Gatch, Montgomery, Lawson, J. E. Johnson, B. Newton, McCabe, Rankin, Brewer, Chumley, Gagnon, McGinnis, M. M. Smith, Williams, Ligon, Kirby, Anderson, Henderson-Myers, Govan, Oremus, Hartz and Wickensimer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 34-3-900 SO AS TO DEFINE TERMS PERTAINING TO THE FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION OF ELIGIBLE ADULTS AND TO OUTLINE A PROCEDURE FOR ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY CONTACTS FOR ELIGIBLE ADULTS TO PROTECT ELIGIBLE ADULTS FROM FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION.

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--February 11, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--February 19, 2026)

(Amended and read second time--February 24, 2026)

H. 5205--Reps. McGinnis, Erickson, Grant, Spann-Wilder and Govan: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 4 TO CHAPTER 101, TITLE 59 SO AS TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN THIS STATE TO IMPLEMENT A SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ALL NEW STUDENTS, TO PROVIDE EXCLUSIONS FROM THE PROGRAMS, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROGRAMS, TO REQUIRE EACH INSTITUTION TO COMPILE AND ANNUALLY REPORT CERTAIN CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS.

(Educ. & Pub. Wks. Com.--February 18, 2026)

(Favorable--February 19, 2026)

(Read second time--February 24, 2026)

SECOND READING STATEWIDE UNCONTESTED BILLS

H. 3530--Reps. W. Newton, Pope, Spann-Wilder, Cobb-Hunter, Bernstein, Vaughan, C. Mitchell, Robbins, T. Moore, Henderson-Myers and Gilliard: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 2-19-115 SO AS TO REQUIRE CANDIDATES FOR MAGISTRATE POSITIONS TO BE REVIEWED BY THE JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER JUDICIAL CANDIDATES UPON VACANCIES, AND TO DEFINE WHEN VACANCIES OCCUR; BY AMENDING SECTION 22-1-10, RELATING TO APPOINTMENT, TERM AND TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, OR RECERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF MAGISTRATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES AND LIMITATIONS ON MAGISTRATES' HOLDOVER STATUS AND TO REQUIRE MAGISTRATES GOING FORWARD TO HOLD A JURIS DOCTOR DEGREE AND BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAR; BY AMENDING SECTION 22-1-15, RELATING TO MAGISTRATES PRESENTLY SERVING, SO AS TO GRANDFATHER MAGISTRATES SERVING IN OFFICE ON JUNE 30, 2025; BY AMENDING SECTION 22-3-10, RELATING TO CIVIL JURISDICTION IN MAGISTRATES COURT, SO AS TO INCREASE THE CIVIL JURISDICTION OF MAGISTRATES COURT; BY AMENDING SECTION 22-3-550, RELATING TO CRIMINAL JURISDICTION IN MAGISTRATES COURT, SO AS TO INCREASE THE CRIMINAL JURISDICTION OF MAGISTRATES COURT; AND BY REPEALING SECTIONS 22-2-10 AND 22-2-15 RELATING TO A SCREENING COMMITTEE TO ASSIST IN THE SELECTION OF MAGISTRATES AND THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR NONPARTISAN SELECTION OF MAGISTRATES, RESPECTIVELY.

(Prefiled--Thursday, December 05, 2024)

(Judiciary Com.--January 14, 2025)

(Fav. With Amdt.--February 05, 2026)

(Debate adjourned until Wed., Feb. 25, 2026--February 24, 2026)

H. 4163--(Debate adjourned until Tue., Mar. 03, 2026--February 24, 2026)

H. 3227--(Debate adjourned until Thu., Feb. 26, 2026--February 24, 2026)

WITHDRAWAL OF OBJECTIONS/REQUEST FOR DEBATE

UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUESTS

SENATE AMENDMENTS ON

H. 3798--Reps. Murphy, G. M. Smith, Brewer, T. Moore, Guest, Hager, Yow, C. Mitchell, W. Newton, Lawson, Stavrinakis, Govan, Erickson, Bradley, Weeks, Hart, Williams, Rivers and Gilliard: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 25-1-180 SO AS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN CRITERIA FOR MILITARY CHAPLAINS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT MILITARY CHAPLAINS HAVE THE PRIVILEGE TO REFUSE TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

(Pending question: Shall the House concur in the Senate Amendments--February 24, 2026)

SECOND READING STATEWIDE CONTESTED BILLS

H. 4758--Reps. W. Newton, Bradley, Brewer, Chapman, Crawford, Davis, Duncan, Erickson, Forrest, Gilliam, Guest, Hartz, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Lawson, Ligon, Lowe, Martin, McGinnis, T. Moore, B. Newton, Oremus, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Robbins, Schuessler, G. M. Smith, Taylor, Teeple, Vaughan, Whitmire, Willis, Wooten and McCravy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 46-55-5 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE PURPOSE OF THIS CHAPTER IS TO ENCOURAGE THE LAWFUL CULTIVATION, HARVESTING, AND MANUFACTURING OF HEMP; BY AMENDING SECTION 46-55-10, RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP CULTIVATION TERMS AND DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TERMS AND THEIR DEFINITIONS, AND TO REVISE THE DEFINITIONS OF EXISTING TERMS; AND BY ADDING SECTIONS 46-55-70, 46-55-80, AND 46-55-90 SO AS TO REGULATE THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF CONSUMABLE HEMP, TO PROVIDE THE PROVISIONS OF

THIS CHAPTER MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, OR TO PROHIBIT THE LAWFUL POSSESSION, MANUFACTURE, SALE, OR DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN CBD PRODUCTS, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES.

(Prefiled--Tuesday, December 16, 2025)

(Judiciary Com.--January 13, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--January 29, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Anderson, Ballentine, Bauer, Bernstein, Brittain, Caskey, Cobb-Hunter, Duncan, Gilliam, Hewitt, Hiott, Jones, Kirby, Magnuson, Martin, McCravy, B. Newton, Oremus, Pope, M.M. Smith and Taylor--February 03, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--February 19, 2026)

H. 4767--Reps. Davis, Chumley, Sessions, Oremus, Bustos, Landing, White, Wooten, Gagnon, Lawson, Guffey, Beach, Long, Cox, Rutherford, McCravy, Bowers, Wickensimer, Willis, Haddon, Bauer, Rankin, Burns, Rose, Vaughan and Duncan: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 9 TO TITLE 41 SO AS TO PROHIBIT NONCOMPETE CLAUSES IN PHYSICIAN CONTRACTS, TO PROTECT PATIENT FREEDOM OF CHOICE, TO DEFINE IMPERMISSIBLE RESTRICTIONS ON PHYSICIAN PRACTICE, TO ALLOW CERTAIN RECOUPMENT OF EXPENSES AND PROTECTION OF LEGITIMATE BUSINESS INTERESTS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR APPLICABILITY.

(Prefiled--Tuesday, December 16, 2025)

(Med., Mil., Pub. & Mun. Affrs. Com.--January 13, 2026)

(Favorable--February 05, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Resp. Anderson, Bauer, Brittain, Crawford, Davis, Forrest, Gibson, Guest, Hardee, Hewitt, Hiott, King, Kirby, Lawson, Ligon, McCravy, McDaniel, Oremus and Taylor--February 11, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--February 18, 2026)

H. 4762--Reps. Long, Bailey, Brewer, Caskey, Chapman, Crawford, Davis, Forrest, Gatch, Gilliam, Guest, Haddon, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Lawson, Ligon, Lowe, McCravy, C. Mitchell, T. Moore, W. Newton, Oremus, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Robbins, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Taylor, Vaughan, Whitmire,

Willis, Wooten, Yow, B. Newton, Chumley, Edgerton, Magnuson, White, Lastinger and D. Mitchell: **A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-335 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS TO IMPLEMENT CERTAIN VOLUNTEER SCHOOL CHAPLAIN POLICIES; AND BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-485 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISPLAY OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS AND OTHER HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL AND POSTSECONDARY CLASSROOMS.**

(Prefiled--Tuesday, December 16, 2025)

(Judiciary Com.--January 13, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--February 12, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Anderson, Caskey, Hewitt, Kirby, Magnuson, Martin, B. Newton, Weeks and Wetmore--February 17, 2026)

S. 583--Senators Davis, Massey and Johnson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-19-250, RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS REQUIRED FOR LICENSEES OF THE BOARD OF FUNERAL EXAMINERS, SO AS TO REVISE PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION INSTRUCTION, AND TO DEFINE "PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE."

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--May 01, 2025)

(Fav. With Amdt.--February 19, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Govan, Grant, Hart, Howard, King, Luck and Williams--February 24, 2026)

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