

**HOUSE TO MEET AT 10:00 A.M.**

**NO. 55**

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



**REGULAR SESSION BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025**

**FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026**



## INVITATIONS

### **Tuesday, May 5, 2026, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

Members of the House, the 2025 South Carolina Sheriffs' Association Medal of Valor Dinner Reception, The Palmetto Club, by the South Carolina Sheriffs' Association.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

### **Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**

Members of the House, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the South Carolina Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

### **Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Members of the House, luncheon, the State House Grounds, by the SC Association of Council on Aging Directors.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

### **Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

Members of the House, staff and families, Legislative Family Day, Riverbanks Zoo & Garden, by Riverbanks Zoo & Garden.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

### **Thursday, May 7, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**

Members of the House, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics Foundation.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

### **Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**

Members of the House and staff, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by South Carolina First Steps.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

### **Thursday, May 14, 2026, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**

Members of the House and staff, breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the South Carolina Asphalt Pavement Association.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

### **Thursday, May 14, 2026, 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.**

Members of the House, luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Bldg., by the South Carolina Cable and Broadband Association.

(Accepted--April 21, 2026)

**THIRD READING LOCAL UNCONTESTED BILL**

**H. 5573**--Reps. Long, Chumley, Edgerton, Magnuson, Lawson and Moss: **A BILL TO AMEND ACT 813 OF 1946, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE CREATION OF THE SPARTANBURG MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM COMMISSION SO AS TO CHANGE THE COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION.**

(Spartanburg Delegation Com.--April 23, 2026)

(Favorable--April 29, 2026)

(Read second time--April 30, 2026)

**SPECIAL INTRODUCTIONS/  
RECOGNITIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THIRD READING STATEWIDE UNCONTESTED BILLS**

**H. 5488**--Reps. B. Newton and M. M. Smith: **A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-65-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA TEXTILES COMMUNITIES REVITALIZATION ACT, SO AS TO SPECIFY QUALIFYING REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN REHABILITATION EXPENSES.**

(Ways and Means Com.--April 01, 2026)

(Favorable--April 28, 2026)

(Read second time--April 30, 2026)

**H. 5122**--Reps. B. Newton, Bannister, Herbkersman, Yow, C. Mitchell, Rose, Cobb-Hunter, Lawson, Brewer, Kirby, Ballentine, Rutherford, Hiott, Gagnon, Guest, M. M. Smith, Howard, Pope, Grant, Anderson, Schuessler, G. M. Smith, Caskey, Davis and Govan: **A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 31 TO CHAPTER 9, TITLE 58 SO AS TO PERMIT CERTAIN ITEMS SOLD TO OR USED BY INTERNET ACCESS SERVICE PROVIDERS AND COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDERS TO BE EXEMPT FROM SALES TAX.**

(Ways and Means Com.--February 05, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--April 28, 2026)

(Amended and read second time--April 30, 2026)

S. 52--Senators Davis, Cash, Gambrell, Grooms, Jackson, Devine, Climer, Johnson, Adams, Turner, Kimbrell, Sutton, Blackmon, Williams, Alexander, Verdin, Garrett, Zell and Walker: **A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2930, RELATING TO OPERATING MOTOR VEHICLES WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, SO AS TO AMEND THE PENALTY PROVISIONS TO PERMIT SENTENCES OF BOTH FINES AND INCARCERATION AND TO REQUIRE CONVICTED PERSONS TO ATTEND DUI VICTIM IMPACT PANELS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2933, RELATING TO DRIVING WITH UNLAWFUL ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, SO AS TO PERMIT SENTENCES OF BOTH FINES AND INCARCERATION AND TO REQUIRE CONVICTED PERSONS TO ATTEND DUI VICTIM IMPACT PANELS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2941, RELATING TO IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT PROVIDES NOTHING IN THE SECTION REQUIRES INSTALLATION OF IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES PRIOR TO CONTESTED CASE HEARINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2945, RELATING TO THE OFFENSE OF FELONY DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE, SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF FELONY DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SECOND DEGREE, ESTABLISH PENALTIES, AND DEFINE THE TERM "MODERATE BODILY INJURY"; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2947, RELATING TO CHILD ENDANGERMENT, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE OFFENSES OF RECKLESS VEHICULAR HOMICIDE AND RECKLESS DRIVING AS VIOLATIONS SUBJECT TO A CHARGE OF CHILD ENDANGERMENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2950, RELATING TO IMPLIED CONSENT TO TESTING FOR ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, SO AS TO REVISE THE CIRCUMSTANCES, PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED, AND TEST SITES THAT CAN BE USED WHEN PERSONS ARE SUBJECTED TO TESTS FOR ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, TO PROVIDE THAT LABORATORY TECHNICIANS, PHLEBOTOMISTS, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS MAY OBTAIN BLOOD OR URINE SAMPLES, TO REVISE THE PERIOD OF SUSPENSIONS OF DRIVING PRIVILEGES THAT MUST BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE IF PERSONS REFUSE TO BE TESTED AND IF**

PERSONS HAVE CERTAIN ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, TO REVISE THE PROVISION THAT ESTABLISHES ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, AND TO DELETE THE PROVISION RELATING TO PERSONS INCAPABLE OF REFUSING TO CONSENT TO TESTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2951, RELATING TO SUSPENSION OF LICENSES FOR REFUSAL TO SUBMIT TO TESTING OR FOR CERTAIN LEVELS OF ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS ISSUED LICENSE SUSPENSIONS MAY INSTALL IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AND OBTAIN TEMPORARY DRIVERS' LICENSES WITH IGNITION INTERLOCK RESTRICTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS WHO REFUSE TO SUBMIT TO CHEMICAL TESTS MUST HAVE THEIR DRIVERS' LICENSES SUSPENDED FOR ONE YEAR FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, AND TO PROVIDE INCREASED SUSPENSIONS FOR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES, OR IF PERSONS TAKE THE TESTS AND REGISTER ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS OF OVER FIFTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTH OF ONE PERCENT OR MORE, THAT THEIR LICENSES ARE SUSPENDED FOR TWO MONTHS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2953, RELATING TO INCIDENT SITES AND BREATH TEST SITES FOR VIDEO RECORDING, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT NOTHING IN THIS SECTION MAY BE CONSTRUED TO COMPEL OR AUTHORIZE A DISMISSAL OF A DUI OFFENSE IF THE OFFICERS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLY WITH THE STATUTE AND THAT MOTIONS FOR SUPPRESSION OF EVIDENCE UNDER THE STATUTE MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO JEOPARDY ATTACHING; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2920, RELATING TO RECKLESS DRIVING, SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSES OF FELONY RECKLESS DRIVING WITH GREAT BODILY INJURY AND RECKLESS DRIVING RESULTING IN MODERATE BODILY INJURY AND TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-5-2960 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS CONVICTED OF FELONY DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE CAUSING THE DEATH OR DISABILITY OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT AS RESTITUTION FOR THE DURATION OF ANY PROBATION ORDERED, PERFORM COMMUNITY SERVICE, OR BOTH; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-286,

**RELATING TO THE SUSPENSION OF LICENSES OR PERMITS OR THE DENIAL OF ISSUANCE OF LICENSES OR PERMITS TO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE WHO DRIVE MOTOR VEHICLES WITH CERTAIN ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS ISSUED NOTICES OF SUSPENSIONS MAY OBTAIN TEMPORARY LICENSES WITH IGNITION INTERLOCK RESTRICTIONS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-400, RELATING TO THE SURRENDER OF LICENSES, SO AS TO REMOVE THE PROVISION THAT NOTHING IN THIS SECTION REQUIRES PERSONS OBTAIN IGNITION INTERLOCKS UNLESS THE OFFENSES ARE ALCOHOL RELATED.**

(Judiciary Com.--February 10, 2026)

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

(Amended and read second time--April 30, 2026)

**SECOND READING STATEWIDE UNCONTESTED BILLS**

**S. 851**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 196**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 697**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 325**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 163**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 853**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 439**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 863**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 582**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 357**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 508**--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)

**S. 238--Senators Alexander, Peeler, Massey and Rankin: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 2-1-180, RELATING TO ADJOURNMENT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND CONDITIONS FOR EXTENDED SESSION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DATE FOR SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT IS AUTOMATICALLY EXTENDED IF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DOES NOT GIVE THIRD READING TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT ON OR BEFORE MARCH TENTH, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MAY CALL THEIR RESPECTIVE BODIES INTO SESSION AFTER THE SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT DATE TO FINISH ANY UNFINISHED BUSINESS RELATING TO THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL OR CAPITAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION, TO PROVIDE THE TIME PERIOD DURING WHICH THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MAY BE CALLED BACK TO COMPLETE THE UNFINISHED BUSINESS RELATING TO THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL OR CAPITAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE TOLLING OF THE ONE-HUNDRED-TWENTY-DAY PERIOD THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS TO REVIEW STATE REGULATIONS.**

(Ways and Means Com.--February 19, 2025)

(Fav. With Amdt.--April 30, 2026)

**S. 769--Senators Peeler, Alexander, Kimbrell, Verdin, Hembree, Turner and Bennett: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUING AUTHORITY TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT IF THE 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR BEGINS WITHOUT A GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 HAVING BEEN ENACTED, AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS.**

(Ways and Means Com.--January 28, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**S. 893--Senators Verdin and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 44-2-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO THE**

**STATE UNDERGROUND PETROLEUM ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE BANK ACT OF 1988, SO AS TO DEFINE A PIPELINE FACILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH 49 U.S.C. CHAPTER 601; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-2-40, RELATING TO THE SUPERB ACCOUNT AND SUPERB FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FUND, SO AS TO ADJUST THE ALLOWABLE COSTS FOR SITE REHABILITATION BY THE FUND AND MAKE OTHER CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-2-60, RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT FEE, SO AS TO SET CERTAIN YEARS FOR THE RENEWAL FEE TO BE ADJUSTED; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-2-130, RELATING TO COMPENSATION FROM THE SUPERB ACCOUNT, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 44-2-150, RELATING TO THE SUPERB ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SO AS TO DEFINE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUPERB ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

(Ways and Means Com.--April 02, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**S. 866--Senators Elliott and Turner: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "MUNICIPAL TAX RELIEF ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 41 TO TITLE 5 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES TO IMPOSE UP TO A ONE PERCENT SALES TAX TO PROVIDE PROPERTY TAX RELIEF TO OWNER-OCCUPIED HOMES AND TO FINANCE CERTAIN PROJECTS, TO SPECIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH THE TAX MUST BE IMPOSED AND ADMINISTERED AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THE PROPERTY TAX CREDIT IS CALCULATED.**

(Ways and Means Com.--April 16, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**S. 857--Senator Turner: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 38-1-20, RELATING TO INSURANCE LAW DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO DEFINE THE TERM "CONTINGENT DEFERRED ANNUITY"; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-69-220, RELATING TO EXCEPTIONS FROM OPERATION OF THE STANDARD NONFORFEITURE LAW FOR INDIVIDUAL**

**DEFERRED ANNUITIES, SO AS TO ADD AN EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE STANDARD NONFORFEITURE LAW FOR INDIVIDUAL DEFERRED ANNUITIES, AND TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE MAY PROMULGATE REGULATIONS FOR NONFORFEITURE BENEFITS FOR CONTINGENT DEFERRED ANNUITIES IN THE DISCRETION OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 38-44-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE MANAGING GENERAL AGENTS ACT, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE.**

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--February 24, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**S. 619--Senators Gambrell and Turner: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 38-27-610, RELATING TO PRIORITY OF DISTRIBUTION FOR CLAIMS, SO AS TO ADD FUNDING AGREEMENTS.**

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--February 24, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**S. 780--Senator Gambrell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 37-23-20, RELATING TO HIGH-COST AND CONSUMER HOME LOANS DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE CONVENTIONAL MORTGAGE RATE MEANS THE AVERAGE PRIME OFFER RATE.**

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--February 25, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**S. 787--Senator Gambrell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 37-3-110 SO AS TO DEFINE BRIDGE LOANS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 37-3-402, RELATING TO BALLOON PAYMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO BRIDGE LOANS.**

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--February 25, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--April 30, 2026)

**S. 830--Senator Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 38-77-122, RELATING TO INSURERS AND AGENTS PROHIBITED FROM REFUSING TO ISSUE AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE POLICIES DUE TO CERTAIN FACTORS AND PROHIBITED FACTORS FOR PREMIUM RATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT INSURERS CAN LIMIT THE ISSUANCE OF INSURANCE TO MEMBERS OF PARTICULAR NON-PROFIT MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS.**

(Labor, Com. & Ind. Com.--March 31, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**H. 5638--Regulations, Admin. Proc., AI and Cybersecurity Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE STATE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, RELATING TO DETERMINATION OF RATES OF TUITION AND FEES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5443, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.**

(Without reference--April 30, 2026)

#### **WITHDRAWAL OF OBJECTIONS/REQUEST FOR DEBATE**

#### **UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUESTS**

#### **SENATE AMENDMENTS ON**

**H. 3768--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)**

**H. 5126--(Debate adjourned until Tue., May 05, 2026--April 30, 2026)**

**S. 585--Senators Tedder, Adams, Devine, Zell and Sutton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SAFEGUARDING AMERICAN FAMILIES EVERYWHERE (SAFE) ACT" AND BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-125 SO AS TO PROVIDE APPLICATIONS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS MUST INCLUDE LANGUAGE ALLOWING APPLICANTS TO VOLUNTARILY INDICATE THEY OR THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CERTAIN DISABILITIES OR DISORDERS, AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF**

**MOTOR VEHICLES TO INCLUDE THE DESIGNATION  
"SAFE" IN THE MOTOR VEHICLE'S RECORDS.**

(Pending question: Shall the House concur in the Senate  
Amendments—April 30, 2026)

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

**S. 1125--Senator Sabb: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO  
REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
NAME THE PORTION OF SANTEE ROAD IN  
WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY FROM JUNE BRANCH CREEK  
TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH CHARLESTON ROAD  
"TYRONE A. BURROUGHS ROAD" AND ERECT  
APPROPRIATE SIGNS OR MARKERS AT THIS LOCATION  
CONTAINING THESE WORDS.**

(Invitations and Memorial Resolutions--April 29, 2026)

(Favorable--April 30, 2026)

**SECOND READING STATEWIDE CONTESTED BILLS**

**H. 4042--Reps. Kilmartin, White, Gilreath, Cromer, Guffey, Harris,  
Hager, McCravy, Edgerton, Terrible, Magnuson, Lastinger,  
D. Mitchell, Sessions, Chapman, Brewer, Lawson, Oremus, Hartz,  
Vaughan, Pedalino, Teeple, Landing, Rankin, Schuessler, Ligon,  
Long, Sanders, Ford, T. Moore, Forrest, Chumley, Bowers, Taylor,  
Hixon, M. M. Smith, Gibson and Duncan: A BILL TO AMEND  
THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING  
SECTION 44-53-150 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE OVER-  
THE-COUNTER SALE OF IVERMECTIN TABLETS.**

(Med., Mil., Pub. & Mun. Affrs. Com.--February 19, 2025)

(Fav. With Amdt.--March 25, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Bamberg, Cobb-Hunter, Grant,  
Hart, Henderson-Myers, Hosey, J.L. Johnson, Jones, King,  
Kirby, Luck, Reese, M.M. Smith, Waters and Williams--March  
26, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**H. 4737--Reps. McGinnis and Grant: A BILL TO AMEND THE  
SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION  
59-101-35 SO AS TO CREATE A MANDATORY  
ORIENTATION TRAINING PROGRAM FOR NEW  
MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES OF THE**

**PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THIS STATE, TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD SECRETARY OF EACH INSTITUTION.**

(Prefiled--Tuesday, December 16, 2025)

(Educ. & Pub. Wks. Com.--January 13, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--March 25, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Anderson, Dillard, Gilliard, Govan, Hart, J.L. Johnson, Jones, King, Rivers, Waters and Weeks--March 26, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**H. 3197--Reps. Erickson, G. M. Smith, Wooten, Pope, Martin, W. Newton, Grant, Robbins, Vaughan, Alexander, Govan, Hartnett, Henderson-Myers, Kirby, Gilliard, Rivers, Waters and M. M. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-485 SO AS TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE WORKFORCE READINESS GOAL; BY ADDING SECTION 59-29-245 SO AS TO PROVIDE REMEDIATION IN COURSES IN LITERACY AND MATHEMATICS TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SEEKING POST-SECONDARY STUDIES BUT LACKING REQUISITE ACADEMIC PREPARATION, TO PROVIDE THIS COURSEWORK MAY BE USED TO MEET HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED IMPLEMENTATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND THE STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM; BY ADDING SECTION 59-39-105 SO AS TO PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SHALL COMPLETE AND SUBMIT A FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID BEFORE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, TO PROVIDE EXEMPTIONS, TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PROVISIONS, AND TO MAKE THESE PROVISIONS APPLICABLE BEGINNING WITH THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-26-35, RELATING TO EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM EVALUATIONS AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATOR PREPARATION REPORT CARD, SO AS TO TRANSFER PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONDUCTING THESE**

**EVALUATIONS AND PRODUCING THIS REPORT CARD TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AMONG OTHER THINGS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 41-1-140 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE SHALL MAINTAIN AND PROVIDE FREE ONLINE ACCESS TO INFORMATION REGARDING THE ECONOMIC VALUE OF COLLEGE MAJORS, AMONG OTHER THINGS.**

(Prefiled--Thursday, December 05, 2024)

(Educ. & Pub. Wks. Com.--January 14, 2025)

(Fav. With Amdt.--March 26, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Beach, Cromer, Edgerton, Frank, Gilreath, Harris, Kilmartin, Magnuson, Pace, Terribile and White--March 31, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**H. 5057--Reps. Ballentine, Cobb-Hunter, Taylor, Gilliard, Rivers and Waters: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-150-420 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT LOTTERY RETAILERS MAY USE CERTAIN LOTTERY TICKET VENDING MACHINES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 12-21-2710, RELATING TO TYPES OF MACHINES AND DEVICES PROHIBITED BY LAW, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXCEPTION.**

(Judiciary Com.--January 29, 2026)

(Recalled and referred to Ways and Means Com.--March 24, 2026)

(Favorable--April 02, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Rep. Cromer, Edgerton, Frank, Gibson, Gilreath, Kilmartin, Magnuson, McCravy, Oremus and White--April 15, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**H. 5309--Reps. Erickson, Hartnett and Henderson-Myers: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 64 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO ENACT THE "INTERSTATE TEACHER MOBILITY COMPACT," TO PROVIDE THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA HEREBY ENTERS THE COMPACT WITH ANY AND ALL STATES LEGALLY JOINING THEREIN ACCORDING TO THE**

**TERMS OF THE COMPACT, AND TO ADOPT THE TERMS OF THE COMPACT IN ITS SUBSTANTIAL FORM.**

(Educ. & Pub. Wks. Com.--March 04, 2026)

(Favorable--April 02, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Beach, Cromer, Edgerton, Frank, Gilreath, Harris, D. Mitchell and White--April 15, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**H. 3597--Reps. Robbins, T. Moore, Pope, W. Newton, C. Mitchell, Calhoon and Edgerton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 17-25-65, RELATING TO THE REDUCTION OF A SENTENCE FOR SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE STATE, SO AS TO REQUIRE NOTICE TO THE ARRESTING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND ANY VICTIMS, TO REQUIRE A HEARING WITH FINDINGS OF FACT IN A WRITTEN ORDER, TO REQUIRE VERIFICATION OF SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OR THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, AND TO ALLOW REDUCTION OF MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES IN THE DISCRETION OF THE JUDGE.**

(Prefiled--Thursday, December 12, 2024)

(Judiciary Com.--January 14, 2025)

(Favorable--April 15, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Cobb-Hunter, Dilliard, Garvin, Gilliard, Govan, Grant, Hart, Hosey, J.L. Johnson, Kirby, McDaniels, Rutherford, Waters and Williams--April 21, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**H. 5288--Reps. J. E. Johnson, Brittain, Yow, Guest, Haddon, Jordan, Robbins, Wickensimer, C. Mitchell, Calhoon, W. Newton, Erickson and Kirby: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16-13-136 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, CREATE CARGO THEFT OFFENSES, AND PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE OFFENSES.**

(Judiciary Com.--February 26, 2026)

(Favorable--April 15, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Bauer, Bernstein, Garvin, Gilliard, Hayes, Rutherford, Stavrinakis, Weeks and Wetmore--April 22, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**H. 5483--Reps. Erickson, Bradley, McGinnis, Hartnett, Teeple, Vaughan, Duncan, D. Mitchell, Lastinger and Atkinson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "EDUCATOR SAFETY AND CLASSROOM AUTHORITY ACT OF 2026" BY ADDING ARTICLE 6 TO CHAPTER 63, TITLE 59, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR EDUCATOR SAFETY AND CLASSROOM AUTHORITY, TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO ESTABLISH THE AUTHORITY OF EDUCATORS IN CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT AND STUDENT DISCIPLINE, TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR STUDENT REFERRAL, REMOVAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSE, TO PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FOR EDUCATORS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND STAFF, TO REQUIRE CERTAIN ACTIONS BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.**

(Educ. & Pub. Wks. Com.--April 01, 2026)

(Fav. With Amdt.--April 22, 2026)

(Requests for debate by Reps. Ballentine, Clyburn, Crawford, Garvin, Guest, Henderson-Myers, Hosey, J.L. Johnson, Jones, Long, Luck, Magnuson, McDaniel, Pedalino, Reese, Schuessler, Waters and Weeks--April 28, 2026)

(Debate adjourned--April 29, 2026)

**S. 416--Senators Hembree and Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-63-210, RELATING TO GROUNDS FOR WHICH TRUSTEES MAY EXPEL, SUSPEND, OR TRANSFER PUPILS; PETITIONS FOR READMISSION; AND EXPULSION, SUSPENSION, OR TRANSFER, SO AS TO PROHIBIT EXPELLED STUDENTS FROM ENTERING SCHOOL OR SCHOOL GROUNDS INCLUDING ATTENDING DAY OR NIGHT SCHOOL FUNCTIONS OR RIDING A SCHOOL BUS, TO FURTHER PROHIBIT SUSPENDED STUDENTS FROM ENTERING THE SCHOOL OR SCHOOL GROUNDS EXCEPT FOR ATTENDING DAY OR NIGHT SCHOOL FUNCTIONS OR RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-63-235, RELATING TO THE EXPULSION OF A STUDENT DETERMINED TO HAVE BROUGHT A FIREARM TO SCHOOL, SO AS TO REQUIRE A STUDENT TO BE**

**EXPELLED FOR NO LESS THAN ONE ACADEMIC YEAR FOR KNOWINGLY BRINGING A FIREARM TO A SCHOOL, TO ESTABLISH THE EXPULSION HEARING BE CONDUCTED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND TO ALLOW AN EXPELLED STUDENT TO RECEIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN ALTERNATIVE SETTINGS TO INCLUDE VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 59-63-250, RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF PUPILS, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT A BOARD MAY TRANSFER A PUPIL WITHIN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REQUIRE NOTIFICATION AND INPUT FROM THE PRINCIPAL AT THE RECEIVING SCHOOL.**

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**S. 11--Senators Jackson and Davis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 8-11-150(A), RELATING TO PAID PARENTAL LEAVE, SO AS TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "ELIGIBLE STATE EMPLOYEE."**

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