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REGULAR SESSION BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2025
(STATEWIDE SESSION)

Tuesday, May 6, 2025
(Statewide Session)

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Indicates New Matter

The House assembled at 12:00 noon.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* as follows:

Our thought for today is from Numbers 30:2: “When a man makes a vow to the Lord or takes an oath to obligate himself by a pledge, he must not break his word but must do everything he said.”

Let us pray. Almighty God, plant into the hearts and minds of these Representatives the desire to continue in their pledge to uphold their promise to You and the people of this State. Keep their minds centered on doing what is required and bless them in their work. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, and all who serve in these Halls of Government. Protect our defenders of freedom at home and abroad as they protect us. Hear us, O Lord, as we pray. 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. W. NEWTON moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Mary Bolen Vaux, which was agreed to.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following was received:

Columbia, S.C., May 6, 2025

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Senate respectfully invites your Honorable Body to attend in the Senate Chamber at a mutually convenient time for the purpose of ratifying Acts.

Very respectfully,
President

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On motion of Rep. BURNS the invitation was accepted.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Rep. BANNISTER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 507 -- Senators Peeler, Alexander and Turner: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-40, RELATING TO APPLICATION OF FEDERAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE TO STATE TAX LAWS, SO AS TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE TO THE YEAR 2024 AND TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTIONS ADOPTED BY THIS STATE ARE EXTENDED, THEN THESE SECTIONS ALSO ARE EXTENDED FOR SOUTH CAROLINA INCOME TAX PURPOSES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4486 -- Rep. Ligon: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PALMETTO BOYS STATE TO USE THE CHAMBER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2025, PROVIDED THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IS NOT IN SESSION, AND THE CHAMBER MAY NOT BE USED IF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IS IN SESSION OR THE CHAMBER IS OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, hereby authorize Palmetto Boys State to use the chamber of the House of Representatives on Friday, June 13, 2025, for its annual State House meeting. If the House is in statewide session or if the chamber is otherwise unavailable, then the chamber of the House may not be used.

Be it further resolved that the use of the chamber and the available committee hearing rooms by Palmetto Boys State must be in strict

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accordance with the policies and the Rules of the House of Representatives.

Be it further resolved that the Office of the Sergeant at Arms of the House shall provide assistance and access as necessary for this meeting in accordance with applicable procedures of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Executive Operations Director of Palmetto Boys State and to House of Representatives Sergeant at Arms Mitchell G. Dorman.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4487 -- Rep. McDaniel: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THELMER "T.M." COOK OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS NINETY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4488 -- Reps. B. Newton, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin,

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Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND REMEMBER THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE HONORABLE JOSEPH HAYNE RAINEY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS BIRTHDAY ON JUNE 21 AND TO COMMEMORATE HIS HISTORIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND THE UNITED STATES.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4489 -- Reps. J. L. Johnson, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE ST. PHILLIP AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF EASTOVER ON THE OCCASION OF ITS HISTORIC ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY AND TO COMMEND THE CHURCH FOR ITS MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO GOD AND THE COMMUNITY.

The Resolution was adopted.

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The following was introduced:

H. 4490 -- Reps. Bannister, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF JACK DAVID PLATING OF GREENVILLE COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HIS MANY FRIENDS.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4491 -- Reps. Lawson, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson,

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Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE M.D. FLOYD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4492 -- Reps. Anderson, Alexander, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE TIDELANDS HEALTH ON THE OCCASION OF ITS SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO EXPRESS THE GRATEFUL THANKS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR TIDELANDS'

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MANY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO GEORGETOWN COUNTY AND BEYOND.

The Resolution was adopted.

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The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4494 -- Reps. McCabe, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox,

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Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE AMY COOPER UPON BEING NAMED THE 2025-2026 TEACHER OF THE YEAR FOR LEXINGTON TECHNOLOGY CENTER, TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO STUDENTS, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS IN HER EDUCATIONAL CAREER.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4495 -- Reps. McCabe, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White,

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Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE CELINE MILLER UPON BEING NAMED 2025-2026 GILBERT HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR, TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO CHILDREN, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4496 -- Reps. McCabe, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE SCHOOL SPEECH PATHOLOGIST, ANNA HOPE HARTLEY, UPON BEING NAMED THE 2025-2026 DEERFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR, TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO CHILDREN, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE.

The Resolution was adopted.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4497 -- Reps. McCabe, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE CIELO HOLT UPON BEING NAMED THE 2025-2026 GILBERT HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR, TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO STUDENTS, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS IN HER EDUCATIONAL CAREER.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4498 -- Reps. Reese, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long,

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Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO DECLARE ENERGY BURDEN A CRISIS IN SOUTH CAROLINA, TO CALL FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION AND ACTION TO ADDRESS ENERGY AFFORDABILITY CHALLENGES, AND TO RECOGNIZE SEPTEMBER 24, 2025, AS "SOUTH CAROLINA ENERGY JUSTICE DAY."

The Resolution was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILL

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

S. 214 -- Senators Massey and Jackson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 1-31-10, RELATING TO THE CREATION OF THE COMMISSION FOR MINORITY AFFAIRS, ITS COMPOSITION, AND THE REQUIREMENT THAT A MAJORITY OF THE COMMISSION BE AFRICAN AMERICAN, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A MAJORITY OF THE COMMISSION MUST BE AFRICAN AMERICAN.

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

ROLL CALL

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

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox

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Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hart	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total Present--121

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. MURPHY a leave of absence for the day.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. B. J. COX a leave of absence for the day due to a prior conflict.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. BEACH a temporary leave of absence.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

Mr. Charles Reid, Clerk
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Mr. Reid,

I was late to the legislative session today because I was sick this morning. Please excuse my tardiness. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Rep. Dr. Rosalyn Henderson-Myers
SC House District 31

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

Announcement was made that Dr. Justine DeCastro of Charleston County was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

CO-SPONSORS ADDED AND REMOVED

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

“5.2 Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co-sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co-sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member's or

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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-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3453
Date: ADD:
05/06/25 J. MOORE

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3858
Date: ADD:
05/06/25 FORREST and OREMUS

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4103
Date: ADD:
05/06/25 MCDANIEL

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4339
Date: ADD:
05/06/25 POPE

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4343
Date: ADD:
05/06/25 ALEXANDER and SPANN-WILDER

CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED

Bill Number: H. 4478
Date: ADD:
05/06/25 MCGINNIS and HADDON

CO-SPONSOR(S) REMOVED

Bill Number: H. 3934
Date: REMOVE:
05/06/25 M. M. SMITH

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CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT

The following was received:

State of South Carolina
Office of the Governor

Columbia, S.C., May 5, 2025
Mr. Speaker:

I am hereby transmitting my appointment of Judge James Otto Spence as Lexington County Master-in-Equity. In accordance with sections 2-19-110 and 14-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, the Judicial Merit Selection Commission has found Judge Spence qualified and the Lexington County Legislative Delegation has submitted his name as a candidate for reappointment. Pursuant to the aforementioned statutory provisions, this appointment is made with the advice and consent of the General Assembly and is therefore submitted for your consideration.

LOCAL REAPPOINTMENT

Lexington County Master-in-Equity
Initial Term Commencing: January 1, 2025
Initial Term Expiring: January 1, 2031
Type: Reappointment
Vice: Self

Contact Information:
The Honorable James Otto Spence
6521 Edmund Highway
Lexington, South Carolina 29073

Yours very truly,
Henry Dargan McMaster
Governor

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:
Yeas 65; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Atkinson	Ballentine
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Brewer	Bustos	Caskey

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Chapman	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Gagnon	Garvin
Gilreath	Grant	Guffey
Haddon	Hardee	Harris
Hart	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kilmartin
Kirby	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	McCravy
McGinnis	Montgomery	T. Moore
Moss	B. Newton	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Reese
Rose	Sanders	Sessions
G. M. Smith	Taylor	Terrible
Weeks	White	Whitmire
Williams	Wooten	

Total--65

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total—0

The appointment was confirmed and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote to confirm the Governor's appointment of the Lexington County Master-in-Equity. If I had been present, I would have voted to confirm Judge James Otto Spence.

Rep. James Teeple

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote to confirm the Governor's appointment of the Lexington County

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Master-in-Equity. If I had been present, I would have voted to confirm Judge James Otto Spence.

Rep. RJ May III

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT

The following was received:

State of South Carolina
Office of the Governor

Columbia, S.C., May 5, 2025

Mr. Speaker:

I am hereby transmitting my appointment of Judge Joe M. Crosby as Georgetown County Master-in-Equity. In accordance with sections 2-19-110 and 14-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, the Judicial Merit Selection Commission has found Judge Crosby qualified and the Georgetown County Legislative Delegation has submitted his name as a candidate for reappointment. Pursuant to the aforementioned statutory provisions, this appointment is made with the advice and consent of the General Assembly and is therefore submitted for your consideration.

LOCAL REAPPOINTMENT

Georgetown County Master-in-Equity

Initial Term Commencing: January 1, 2025

Initial Term Expiring: January 1, 2031

Type: Reappointment

Vice: Self

Contact Information:

The Honorable Joe M. Crosby

405 Dozier Street

Georgetown, South Carolina 29440

Yours very truly,
Henry Dargan McMaster
Governor

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 69; Nays 0

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Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Ballentine	Bauer	Bernstein
Brewer	Bustos	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Cobb-Hunter
B. L. Cox	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Grant	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Kilmartin	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Long
Lowe	May	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Moss	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rose	Sanders	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Whitmire
Williams	Wooten	Yow

Total--69

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

The appointment was confirmed and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT

The following was received:

State of South Carolina
Office of the Governor

Columbia, S.C., May 5, 2025

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Mr. Speaker:

I am hereby transmitting my appointment of Judge Roy Robinson Hemphill as Abbeville County Master-in-Equity. In accordance with sections 2-19-110 and 14-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, the Judicial Merit Selection Commission has found Judge Hemphill qualified and the Abbeville County Legislative Delegation has submitted his name as a candidate for reappointment. Pursuant to the aforementioned statutory provisions, this appointment is made with the advice and consent of the General Assembly and is therefore submitted for your consideration.

LOCAL REAPPOINTMENT

Abbeville County Master-in-Equity

Initial Term Commencing: January 1, 2025

Initial Term Expiring: January 1, 2031

Type: Reappointment

Vice: Self

Contact Information:

The Honorable Robinson Hemphill

917 Olde Pucketts Ferry Road

Greenwood, South Carolina 29649

Yours very truly,
Henry Dargan McMaster
Governor

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 68; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Atkinson	Bailey
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Burns
Caskey	Chapman	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Grant	Guest	Guffey

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Hager	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Howard	Huff	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kilmartin	Kirby	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Martin
May	McCravy	McDaniel
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
B. Newton	Pedalino	Pope
Robbins	Rose	Sanders
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Teeple	Terrible
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Yow	

Total--68

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

The appointment was confirmed and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

S. 618--ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 618 -- Senator Peeler: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 389 OF 1907, AS AMENDED, SO AS TO RESTATE THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE CITY OF GAFFNEY, TO ADD TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS, AND TO SPECIFY THE MANNER OF ELECTION AND OF ELECTIONS; AND TO REPEAL ACT 205 OF 1953 AND ACT 128 OF 1967 RELATED TO THE BOARD.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 100; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bauer	Bernstein

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Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Guest
Guffey	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Huff	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jordan	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Moss
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Wooten
Yow		

Total--100

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

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H. 3115--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3115 -- Reps. Cobb-Hunter, Spann-Wilder and McCravy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 44-63-110, RELATING TO FEES CHARGED FOR COPIES OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES, SO AS TO WAIVE THE FEES FOR HOMELESS PERSONS.

Rep. COBB-HUNTER moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was agreed to.

H. 3858--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3858 -- Reps. Brewer, Pedalino, Lowe, Mitchell, M. M. Smith, B. J. Cox, Chapman, Davis, Sessions, Erickson, Guffey, B. L. Cox, Hewitt, Teeple, Hartnett, Pope, Rutherford, Brittain, Wooten, Guest, Hager, J. L. Johnson, B. Newton, Bailey, Bustos, Gagnon, Gilliam, Herbkersman, Holman, Jordan, Lawson, Martin, Murphy, Robbins, Ballentine, T. Moore, Montgomery, Sanders, Atkinson, Ligon, Gibson, J. Moore, Caskey, Moss, Huff, Beach, Terrible, Kilmartin, Hardee, Taylor, Yow, J. E. Johnson, Landing, Frank, Forrest and Oremus: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 23, TITLE 50, SECTION 50-23-345, AND SECTION 50-23-375, ALL RELATING TO THE TITLING OF WATERCRAFT AND OUTBOARD MOTORS, SO AS TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT OUTBOARD MOTORS BE TITLED; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-37-3210, RELATING TO TAX NOTICES FOR BOATS AND BOAT MOTORS, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-37-3210, RELATING TO TAX NOTICES FOR BOATS, BOAT MOTORS, AND WATERCRAFT, SO AS TO ALLOW THE AUDITOR TO CONSOLIDATE THE TAX NOTICE; BY AMENDING SECTION 50-23-370, RELATING TO WATERCRAFT CERTIFICATES, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-37-220, RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR FIFTY PERCENT OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF WATERCRAFT.

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Rep. B. NEWTON moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, May 7, which was agreed to.

S. 287--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 287 -- Senators Alexander, Hutto, Grooms, Verdin, Davis, Turner, Gambrell, Hembree, Cromer, Kimbrell, Elliott, Zell, Ott, Garrett, Graham and Walker: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 44-95-65 SO AS TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR THE SALE OF ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS SECTION; AND TO PROVIDE A TIMELINE FOR THE REQUIRED DEALER CERTIFICATION, DIRECTORY PUBLICATION, AND EFFECTIVE DATE OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS.

Reps. HEWITT, B. NEWTON, MAGNUSON, EDGERTON, WHITE, BALLENTINE, T. MOORE, B. L. COX, GILREATH, M. M. SMITH, LANDING, TEEPLE, HARTNETT, GUEST, CRAWFORD, ROSE and MCCABE requested debate on the Bill.

H. 3876--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3876 -- Reps. Hewitt, Bailey, Kirby, Oremus, Hardee, McGinnis, Hayes, Cobb-Hunter, Ligon, Rutherford, B. L. Cox, Henderson-Myers and Atkinson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 12-36-72 SO AS TO SPECIFY THE PARTY RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING AND REMITTING CERTAIN TAXES AND FEES IMPOSED ON ACCOMMODATIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-36-70, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF RETAILER, SO AS TO INCLUDE PERSONS OPERATING AS AN ACCOMMODATIONS INTERMEDIARY AND TO DELETE AN EXCEPTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-36-920, RELATING TO THE ACCOMMODATIONS TAX, SO AS TO SPECIFY THE PARTY RESPONSIBLE FOR COLLECTING AND REMITTING CERTAIN TAXES AND FEES IMPOSED ON ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO REQUIRE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON IMPOSITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1-510, RELATING TO THE LOCAL

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ACCOMMODATIONS TAX, SO AS TO INCLUDE GROSS PROCEEDS OF PERSONS ACTING AS MERCHANTS OF RECORD; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1-520, RELATING TO THE LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX, SO AS TO REQUIRE A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND THE STATE TREASURER OF CERTAIN IMPOSITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1-570, RELATING TO REMITTING THE LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX, SO AS TO CLARIFY THE TAX IS TO BE COLLECTED; BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1-630, RELATING TO THE BEACH PRESERVATION FEE, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE FEE TO BE COLLECTED AND REMITTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX AND TO REQUIRE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND THE STATE TREASURER OF THE IMPOSITION OF THE FEE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 5-7-30, RELATING TO THE POWERS OF A MUNICIPALITY, SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN UNIFORM SERVICE CHARGES ON ACCOMMODATIONS BE COLLECTED AND REMITTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX AND TO REQUIRE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND THE STATE TREASURER OF THE IMPOSITION OF THE FEE.

Rep. B. NEWTON moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Wednesday, May 7, which was agreed to.

H. 4129--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4129 -- Reps. Brewer, Guffey, M. M. Smith, Hartnett, Teeple, B. L. Cox, Sessions, Mitchell, Stavrinakis, Pedalino, Brittain, Hayes, Guest, Luck, Atkinson, Bamberg and Robbins: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16-19-5 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON WHO PAYS A FEE TO PLAY A GAME IN WHICH SKILL PREDOMINATES OVER CHANCE AND RECEIVES A PRIZE PROPORTIONATE TO HOW SKILLFULLY HE PLAYED IS NOT GAMBLING.

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POINT OF ORDER

Rep. B. NEWTON made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3974--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3974 -- Reps. Calhoon, Bernstein, Erickson, Schuessler, Bauer, Guffey and McGinnis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 10, TITLE 59 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE EVALUATORS TO EVALUATE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR HEALTH, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, OR THERAPEUTIC NEEDS, TO AUTHORIZE PRIVATE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE RELATED SERVICES AT SCHOOLS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY, TO SPECIFY THESE EVALUATIONS AND SERVICES ONLY MAY OCCUR UPON REQUEST OF THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE STUDENT, TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAY NOT PROHIBIT SUCH EVALUATIONS OR SERVICES IN SCHOOLS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY, TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT A RELATED MODEL POLICY, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MODEL POLICY, TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL ADOPT RELATED POLICIES, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

The Committee on Education and Public Works proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3974 (LC-3974.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 59-10-510(1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) and inserting:

~~(1) "Evaluation" includes, but is not limited to, the following criteria:~~

- ~~—(a) diagnosis;~~
- ~~—(b) determination of intervention type;~~
- ~~—(c) determination of intervention length;~~
- ~~—(d) identification of the goals of a student;~~
- ~~—(e) identification of the impact of student behavior on the student's educational program; and~~

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~~—(f) planning for involvement of the student’s family in the student’s treatment plan;~~

~~—(2) “Private provider” means a provider who renders health, behavioral health, or therapeutic services and is licensed by this State and in good standing or, if state licensure is not available, a provider who is certified by and in good standing with a national certification or accreditation organization. A private provider includes, but is not limited to:~~

~~—(a) speech language pathologists, occupational therapists, and physical therapists;~~

~~—(b) psychiatrists;~~

~~—(c) psychologists;~~

~~—(d) clinical social workers;~~

~~—(e) licensed professional counselors and licensed marriage and family therapists; and~~

~~—(f) behavioral interventionists and specialists including, but not limited to:~~

~~—(i) board certified behavior analysts;~~

~~—(ii) board certified assistant behavior analysts;~~

~~—(iii) board certified assistant behavior analyst doctoral practitioners; and~~

~~—(iv) certified registered behavior technicians under the appropriate supervision of a board certified behavior analyst or board certified assistant behavior analyst.~~

~~—(3) “Classroom aide” means a private paraprofessional who works under the supervision of a private provider to assist students with disabilities and deliver direct services to such students at school during the school day. A classroom aide is not a teacher aide as defined in Section 59-1-140 or other employee of a school district.~~

~~—(4) “Evaluator” means a private provider who is:~~

~~—(a) licensed to perform a medical, behavioral, or therapeutic evaluation at a parent or guardian’s request;~~

~~—(b) not an employee of a public school district or the State Department of Education; and~~

~~—(c) licensed by this State and in good standing or, if state licensure is not available, a provider who is certified by and in good standing with a national certification or accreditation organization.~~

~~—(5) “Medically necessary service” means a service recommended or ordered by a healthcare provider who is:~~

~~—(a) licensed in this State or another state and provides services within twenty-five miles of the border of this State;~~

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~~— (b) acting within the scope of the provider’s license; and~~

~~— (c) covered by an independent third-party payor.~~ (1) “Private provider” means a provider who:

— (a) renders Applied Behavior Analysis therapy or performs an evaluation or observation pursuant to such therapy, and includes:

— (i) board certified behavior analysts;

— (ii) board certified assistant behavior analysts;

— (iii) board certified behavior analyst-doctoral; and

— (iv) registered behavior technicians under the appropriate supervision of a board certified behavior analyst or board certified assistant behavior analyst;

— (b) provides or seeks to provide services in a South Carolina public school;

— (c) is licensed by this State and in good standing or, if state licensure is not available, is certified by and in good standing with a national certification or accreditation organization; and

— (d) is not an employee of a public school district or the State Department of Education.

(2) “Medically necessary service” means services that meet the following requirements:

— (a) ordered by a health care provider within the scope of the health care provider’s license for the treatment or remediation of functional impairments associated with a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder;

— (b) not for experimental or investigational purposes;

— (c) within the generally accepted standards of medical care in the community;

— (d) not solely for the convenience or personal preference of the insured, the insured’s family, or the provider; and

— (e) is medically necessary during school hours in the school setting.

(3) “Third party payor” includes, but is not limited to, Medicaid, self-funded health plans, and commercial insurance.

(4) “Undue burden” has the same meaning as Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. section 793, as amended, and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, 42 U.S.C. section 12101, et seq., as amended.

(5) “Fundamental alteration” has the same meaning as Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. section 793, as amended, and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, 42 U.S.C. section 12101, et seq., as amended.

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Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, Section 59-10-520, by striking the <<placeholder>> undesignated paragraph and inserting:

~~A school board may not uniformly prohibit:~~

~~—(1) an evaluator from performing an evaluation of a student at a public school during school hours if the parent or legal guardian of the student requests such an evaluation from the evaluator; or~~

~~—(2) a private provider or classroom aide from providing medically necessary services authorized by an independent third-party payor to a student at a public school during school hours if the parent or legal guardian of the student requests such services from the provider or aide. For purposes of this section, an independent third-party payor includes, but is not limited to, Medicaid and commercial insurance.~~ Districts must consider on a case-by-case basis a request from a parent or legal guardian of a student for a private provider to provide medically necessary services authorized by an independent third-party payor to a student at a public school during school hours, including the ability of a private provider to observe or evaluate the student and the environment where services will be provided.

(1) If a parent or legal guardian of a student requests medically necessary services in excess of what the district has determined is appropriate pursuant to its obligations under the IDEA and the child's IEP and is providing to the student, the school must review the medically necessary service pursuant to an ADA analysis, which would allow a private provider to render the service as a reasonable accommodation as long as it does not impose an undue burden on or fundamental alteration to school operations as contemplated by the ADA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

(2) The collaboration of school personnel and private providers is intended to enhance but not supplant or replace the obligations or responsibilities of districts under the IDEA.

(3) Districts may not apply or use a district's determination about its obligations in a child's IEP pursuant to the IDEA to deny or limit a student's access to medically necessary services from a private provider pursuant to the ADA.

(4) Districts may utilize existing review processes or create new ones to review a request for medically necessary services pursuant to the ADA. Requests may be reviewed by a student's IEP team or 504 committee or another group convened to review the request; however, the participants must apply the appropriate ADA standards to review a request for medically necessary services.

(5) If a parent or legal guardian requests a medically necessary

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service pursuant to the ADA for a student who does not currently have an IEP or 504 plan, the district must initiate the appropriate evaluation to determine if the child is entitled to services under the IDEA or Section 504 in addition to evaluating the ADA request.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, by striking Section 59-10-530(A) and inserting:

(A) The State Board of Education shall develop a model policy setting the parameters for ~~evaluators to perform evaluations and for private providers and classroom aides~~private providers to observe and evaluate a student or to provide medically necessary services during the school day, including during instructional time, in compliance with this chapter.;

~~—(1) the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. Section 1400, et seq.;~~

~~—(2) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. Section 701; and~~

~~—(3) the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, 42 U.S.C. Section 12101.~~

Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, by striking Section 59-10-530(B)(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), and (8) and inserting:

(2) ~~clarify the types of evaluators and private providers covered by the model policy~~set forth a process for evaluating a request for medically necessary, disability-based services and supports pursuant to the ADA, which is a separate determination not limited to or determined by what is necessary for a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) under the IDEA or Section 504;

(3) ~~require evaluators, private providers, and classroom aides to complete and pay for a criminal background check conducted by SLED unless such background check is already required for licensure as a private provider or evaluator~~require private providers to submit documentation of completed background to checks to the district prior to entering a school building;

(4) determine the appropriate amount of ~~general~~professional liability insurance coverage for ~~evaluators, private providers, and classroom aides~~ and require them to maintain ~~general~~professional liability insurance coverage;

(5) allow for services to be provided during instructional time ~~if in English/language arts, mathematics, or science if the school district and the private provider agree that doing so is in the best interest of the student~~

—(a) the team, committee, or group convened to review the ADA

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request determines those services appropriate at that time; and

(b) services can be provided in a manner that does not interfere with the delivery of instruction to other students or otherwise prevent a classroom teacher from effectively managing and implementing classroom policies and procedures;

~~—(6) require any instructional time missed due to services being provided must be forgiven and may not require the student to make up missed instruction;~~

~~(7)~~(6) require the parent or legal guardian of a student receiving a service from a private provider to execute and submit to the district:

(a) a written confirmation of the funding source for services provided by the private provider;

(b) a parent or guardian authorization for the provision of services at school during the school day; and

(c) a consent to release information form between the private provider and the school district;~~and~~

(7) require private providers to complete a written agreement with a school district that, at minimum, outlines:

(a) the school, teacher, and district's responsibilities;

(b) the duration and type of services to be provided;

(c) that the medically necessary services do not interfere with or impede other mandated services without collaboration and agreement between the service providers;

(d) expectations and requirements related to FERPA and any other applicable state and federal law;

(e) guidelines for any missed instructional time and assignments;

(f) expectations and guidelines for providers when interacting with students other than those receiving services with a goal of minimizing such interactions to the greatest extent possible;

(g) that a private provider must not be listed on a federal, state, or other child abuse or sex offender registries or otherwise be prohibited by state law from working in a school;

(h) expectations that the private provider must follow school policies and procedures; and

(i) allocation of liability between or among the parties; and

(8) provide procedures for a school district to establish sanctions, including termination of the authorization to provide services on any school campus, against ~~an evaluator, a~~ private provider, ~~or classroom aide~~ for failure to comply with the policy of the district.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, by striking Section 59-10-540 and inserting:

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Section 59-10-540. The board shall finalize its model policy by ~~November 1, 2025~~January 6, 2026. Districts must adopt the model policy or develop their own policy that meets the minimum requirements of the model policy and is subject to department approval by ~~January~~July 1, 2026.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON 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 99; Nays 9

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Huff
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	May
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Moss	B. Newton	W. Newton

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Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terribile
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Wooten	Yow

Total--99

Those who voted in the negative are:

Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Magnuson
McCabe	Pace	White

Total--9

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

H. 4339--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4339 -- Reps. Erickson, Terribile, Bradley, Martin, Huff, Mitchell, Forrest, Anderson, Duncan, Kilmartin, Lawson, Hager, M. M. Smith, Beach, Frank, J. L. Johnson, Gilliam, Rankin, Bauer, Teeple, Pedalino, McCabe, Bustos, Wickensimer, Cobb-Hunter, Vaughan, Haddon, Willis, Long, Chapman, Pace, Caskey, Chumley, Whitmire, Morgan, Magnuson, Gibson, Davis, Edgerton, Hartz, Bernstein, Harris, B. Newton, Hewitt, Waters, Luck, Rivers, Hartnett, B. L. Cox, Reese, Taylor, Bowers, Gagnon, Herbkersman, Jordan, McGinnis, Moss, Spann-Wilder, Weeks, Gilreath, Cromer, Guffey and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA HEALTHY SCHOOLS ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 59-10-325 SO AS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN BY PROHIBITING THE USE OF HARMFUL FOOD ADDITIVES IN SCHOOL MEALS, ENSURING INGREDIENT TRANSPARENCY, ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES AND ENFORCEMENT

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MECHANISMS, TO PROVIDE A PERIODIC REVIEW AND POSSIBLE UPDATES OF PROHIBITED ADDITIVES, TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, AND TO MAKE RELATED FINDINGS.

The Committee on Education and Public Works proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 4339 (LC-4339.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 2, by striking Section 59-10-325(A) and inserting:

(A) Beginning July 1, 2027, any public school, excluding charter schools, participating in a federally funded or assisted meal program shall not serve meals, ~~sell~~, or allow a third party to sell ultraprocessed food to students on school premises during the ~~academic school year~~ regular instructional day. This subsection does not prevent a student's parent or guardian from providing ultraprocessed food ~~to their child~~ for personal consumption.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, by striking Section 59-10-325(D)(1) and (2) and inserting:

(1) Each public school shall annually submit a standardized certification form to the State Department of Education Office of School Nutrition, attesting compliance with this section.

(2) The State Department of Education shall:

(a) post the certification form and a list of compliant schools on its website; and

(b) conduct random audits of school meal samples every two years to verify compliance, using third-party laboratory testing if necessary.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, by striking Section 59-10-325(D)(3)(a), (b), and (c) and inserting:

(a) the school and supplier shall receive a warning from the State Department of Education and sixty calendar days to correct the violation. School or district personnel responsible for procuring food served to students for school breakfast and lunch during the instructional day must undergo training from the State Department of Education regarding the purchase and procurement of food allowed under this section;

(b) a second violation incurs a fine of up to ~~\$1,000~~ \$5,000 per supplier. The fine must be paid to the school and used for the purpose of improving or establishing a vegetable garden on school grounds. The school shall report expenditures to the State Department of Education;

(c) a third violation may disqualify the supplier from providing

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school meals for one fiscal year; and

(d) each violation must be reported by the school to its respective school district immediately upon notice of a violation.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, by striking Section 59-10-325(E)(1) and inserting:

(1) Every five years, the State Department of Education, in consultation with the State Department of Agriculture, shall review scientific evidence and international regulations to determine if additional additives should be prohibited.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, by striking Section 59-10-325(F) and inserting:

(F) The State Department of Education shall oversee implementation and ensure compliance with this section. The department also shall issue a model policy and promulgate regulations as it deems necessary to comply with this section.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON 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 107; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett

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Hartz	Hayes	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Huff
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Moss
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Rivers	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Wooten	Yow	

Total--107

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on H. 4334. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Alan Morgan

S. 269--ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 269 -- Senators Turner, Elliott and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-

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19-275 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH MORE THAN FIFTEEN THOUSAND STUDENTS MAY USE SECURITY PERSONNEL LICENSED AS A PROPRIETARY SECURITY BUSINESS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-18-60, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS OF A LICENSEE, SO AS TO ADD PROVISIONS CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS APPLYING FOR LICENSURE; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-18-80, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION SHALL IMPLEMENT CERTAIN RELATED TRAINING REQUIREMENTS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 40-18-140, RELATING TO EXCEPTIONS FROM APPLICATIONS OF THIS CHAPTER, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE EXCLUDED FROM THESE REQUIREMENTS.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the Bill.

SPEAKER IN CHAIR

Rep. ERICKSON continued speaking.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 117; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager

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Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--117

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

**S. 77--AMENDED, REQUESTS FOR DEBATE AND
ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 77 -- Senators Hembree, Grooms and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-85 SO AS TO PROMOTE PUBLIC ACCESS TO SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS BY REQUIRING SCHOOL BOARDS TO

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ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES THAT PROVIDE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF SUCH MEETINGS AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT MUST BE IMPLEMENTED BY JULY 1, 2025.

The Committee on Education and Public Works proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to S. 77 (LC-77.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 59-19-85(D)(4) and inserting:

(4) A public school governing body may not adopt or follow a livestream policy that prevents or impedes in-person participation by the public ~~except as may be reasonable and necessary for the orderly transaction of its business.~~

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Reps. HAYES and WOOTEN requested debate on the Bill.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 110; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bannister	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Chumley
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard

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Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Huff	J. E. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Rose	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--110

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on S. 77. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Brandon Guffey

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S. 79--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 79 -- Senators Hembree and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-18-1115 SO AS TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM TO PERMIT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO HIRE NONCERTIFIED TEACHERS IN A RATIO UP TO TEN PERCENT OF ITS ENTIRE TEACHING STAFF, TO PROVIDE ACADEMIC, EVALUATION, AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS, TO FURTHER THE PROGRAM FOR ANNUAL PROGRAM REPORTING, AND TO PROVIDE NONCERTIFIED TEACHER REGISTRATION AND CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS.

Rep. ERICKSON proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to S. 79 (LC-79.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, Section 59-18-1115, by adding a subsection to read:

(F) The Department of Education shall not add a full-time equivalent (FTE) position or partial FTE position to implement the provisions of this section.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON 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 112; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman

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Chumley	Clyburn	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Govan
Grant	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--112

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

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STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on S. 79. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Brandon Guffey

H. 3802--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3802 -- Reps. Bustos, Hartnett, Landing, Teeple, Edgerton, Magnuson, J. L. Johnson, Bamberg, Sanders, Bowers, Pope, Long and Frank: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-63-100, RELATING TO PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS BY HOME SCHOOL, CHARTER SCHOOL, AND GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL STUDENTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE PARTICIPATION IN COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, AND CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION, TO PROVIDE EQUAL TREATMENT FOR SUCH STUDENTS AND STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. B. NEWTON made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 4385--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4385 -- Reps. Jones, B. J. Cox, J. L. Johnson, King, Williams, Rivers, Kirby, Hosey, Clyburn, Bauer, McDaniel, Waters and Dillard: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 25-11-730 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS SHALL ADOPT CRITERIA FOR ADMISSIONS TO AND DISCHARGES FROM

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SOUTH CAROLINA VETERANS' HOMES AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF SUCH CRITERIA.

Rep. DAVIS moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Tuesday, January 13, which was agreed to.

Further proceedings were interrupted by expiration of time on the uncontested Calendar.

RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR

Rep. DAVIS moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

H. 3115--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3115 -- Reps. Cobb-Hunter, Spann-Wilder and McCravy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 44-63-110, RELATING TO FEES CHARGED FOR COPIES OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES, SO AS TO WAIVE THE FEES FOR HOMELESS PERSONS.

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

H. 4343--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4343 -- Reps. Wetmore, Erickson, Edgerton, Terribile, Cromer, Schuessler, Crawford, Davis, Calhoon, Oremus, Holman, Pedalino, Bernstein, Cobb-Hunter, Dillard, Bauer, Henderson-Myers, Landing, McDaniel, Waters, Alexander and Spann-Wilder: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 40-33-31 SO AS TO REQUIRE HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION CONTINUING EDUCATION TRAINING FOR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES, REGISTERED NURSES, OR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES EXCLUDING CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS; BY ADDING SECTION 40-47-39 SO AS TO REQUIRE HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION CONTINUING EDUCATION TRAINING FOR PHYSICIANS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 40-47-953 SO AS TO REQUIRE HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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AWARENESS AND PREVENTION CONTINUING EDUCATION
TRAINING FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.

The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 4343 (LC-4343.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 40-33-31(C) and (D) and inserting:

~~—(C) The provisions of this section do not apply to certified registered nurse anesthetists.~~

~~(D)~~(C) The State Board of Nursing shall adopt rules to implement this section.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, by striking Section 40-47-39(A)(1) and (2) and inserting:

(1) In addition to other requirements of this article, successful completion of a one-hour human trafficking awareness and prevention course meeting the requirements of subsection (B) is a continuing education requirement for renewal of a physician license pursuant to Section 40-47-40 or the reinstatement or reactivation of a physician license pursuant to Section 40-47-30 for licensees practicing emergency medicine, primary care, internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, or as a hospitalist, and those licensees working in public health clinics, emergency departments, urgent care centers, and community based centers. All licensees subject to this section shall complete this course requirement before:

(a) January 1, 2028, and every six years thereafter, for persons licensed before January 1, 2026; or

(b) two years after initial licensure and every six years thereafter, for persons initially licensed on or after January 1, 2026

(2) The requirements of this subsection ~~are in addition to any other~~are to be counted as part of required continuing education requirements and in addition to any other requirements for any initial licensure, license renewal, and license reinstatement or reactivation in this article.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. SESSIONS explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

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The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 111; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chumley	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Huff
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore

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Whitmire
Willis

Wickensimer
Wooten

Williams
Yow

Total--111

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on H. 4343. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Don Chapman

H. 3453--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3453 -- Reps. Rose, Pope, Spann-Wilder and J. Moore: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-111-20, RELATING TO FREE TUITION FOR CERTAIN VETERANS' CHILDREN, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A VETERAN'S CHILD QUALIFIES FOR FREE TUITION IF THAT CHILD HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA SINCE BIRTH.

The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3453 (LC-3453.SA0002H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

SECTION X. Section 59-112-50 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 59-112-50. (A) Notwithstanding another provision of law, ~~during the period of their assignment to duty in South Carolina,~~ members of the Armed Services, retired military personnel, and honorably discharged veterans of the United States ~~stationed in South Carolina~~ and their dependents are eligible for in-state tuition rates. When these armed service personnel are ordered away from the State, their dependents are

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eligible for in-state tuition rates as long as they remain continuously enrolled at the state institution in which they are enrolled at the time the assignment ends or transfer to an eligible institution during the term or semester, excluding summer terms, immediately following their enrollment at the previous institution. In the event of a transfer, the receiving institution shall verify the decision made by the student's previous institution in order to certify the student's eligibility for in-state tuition rates. ~~It is the responsibility of the transferring student to ensure that all documents required to verify both the previous and present residency decisions are provided to the institution.~~ These persons and their dependents are eligible for in-state tuition rates after their discharge from the armed services even though they were not enrolled at a state institution at the time of their discharge, ~~if they have evidenced an intent to establish domicile in South Carolina and if they have resided in South Carolina for a period of at least twelve months immediately preceding their discharge.~~ Active duty military personnel, retired military personnel, and honorably discharged veterans may be charged less than the undergraduate tuition rate for South Carolina residents for courses that are presented on a distance basis, regardless of residency.

(B)(1) Active duty military personnel, retired military personnel, honorably discharged veterans, and their dependents may be charged less than the undergraduate tuition rate for South Carolina residents for courses that are presented on a distance basis, regardless of residency.

(2) For purposes of this section, "active duty military personnel" includes, but is not limited to, active duty guardsmen and active duty reservists.

(C)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a covered individual enrolled in a public institution of higher education and receiving educational assistance under Chapter 30, Chapter 31, and Chapter 33, Title 38 of the United States Code are entitled to pay in-state tuition and fees without regard to the length of time the covered individual has resided in this State.

(2) For purposes of this subsection, a covered individual is defined as:

(a) a veteran who served ninety days or longer on active duty in the uniformed service of the United States, their respective reserve forces, or the National Guard;

(b) a person who is entitled to and receiving assistance under Section 3319, Title 38 of the United States Code by virtue of the person's relationship to the veteran described in subitem (a);

(c) a person using transferred benefits under Section 3319,

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Title 38 of the United States Code while the transferor is on active duty in the uniformed service of the United States, their respective reserve forces, or the National Guard;

(d) a person who is entitled to and receiving assistance under Section 3311(b)(9), Title 38 of the United States Code; or

(e) a person who is entitled to and is receiving assistance under Section 3102(a), Title 38 of the United States Code.

(3) A covered individual must live in this State while enrolled at the in-state institution.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. DAVIS 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 101; Nays 7

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Edgerton
Erickson	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kilmartin	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long

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Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCravy	McDaniel
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pedalino	Pope	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	

Total--101

Those who voted in the negative are:

Forrest	Gilliam	Luck
Moss	Oremus	Rankin
Yow		

Total--7

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

H. 4165--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4165 -- Reps. Davis, M. M. Smith, B. L. Cox, Hartnett, Holman and Sessions: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 20 TO CHAPTER 53, TITLE 44 SO AS TO TITLE THE ARTICLE "NON-OPIOID TREATMENTS FOR PAIN MANAGEMENT," TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF AN EDUCATIONAL PAMPHLET BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH REGARDING NON-OPIOID ALTERNATIVES FOR THE TREATMENT OF PAIN, AND TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR PRACTITIONERS OFFERING NON-OPIOID TREATMENT.

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Reps. EDGERTON, FRANK, MAGNUSON, CROMER,
GILREATH and WHITE requested debate on the Bill.

H. 4189--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4189 -- Reps. Davis and Herbkersman: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1-3-240, 1-5-40, 1-11-20, 1-23-600, 1-25-60, 2-13-240, 3-5-40, 3-5-50, 3-5-60, 3-5-70, 3-5-80, 3-5-90, 3-5-100, 3-5-110, 3-5-120, 3-5-130, 3-5-140, 3-5-150, 3-5-160, 3-5-170, 3-5-180, 3-5-190, 3-5-320, 3-5-330, 3-5-340, 3-5-350, 3-5-360, 4-12-30, 4-29-67, 4-33-10, 4-33-20, 4-33-30, 5-31-2010, 6-1-150, 6-11-285, 6-11-290, 6-11-1210, 6-11-1230, 6-11-1430, 6-15-30, 6-19-30, 6-19-35, 6-19-40, 6-21-400, 7-5-186, 7-5-310, 10-5-270, 10-9-10, 10-9-20, 10-9-30, 10-9-35, 10-9-40, 10-9-110, 10-9-200, 10-9-260, 10-9-320, 11-11-170, 11-11-230, 11-37-200, 11-58-70, 11-58-80, 12-6-3370, 12-6-3420, 12-6-3550, 12-6-3775, 12-23-810, 12-23-815, 12-28-2355, 12-37-220, 12-44-30, 13-1-380, 13-2-10, 13-7-10, 13-7-20, 13-7-30, 13-7-40, 13-7-45, 13-7-60, 13-7-70, 13-7-90, 13-7-120, 13-7-160, 14-1-201, 14-7-1610, 14-7-1630, 14-23-1150, 15-74-40, 16-3-740, 16-3-2050, 16-17-500, 16-17-650, 16-25-320, 20-1-240, 20-1-320, 20-1-330, 20-1-340, 20-1-350, 20-1-720, 20-3-230, 20-3-235, 23-1-230, 23-3-535, 23-3-810, 25-11-70, 25-11-75, 27-16-90, 27-31-100, 30-2-30, 30-2-320, 31-13-30, 32-8-305, 33-36-1315, 37-11-20, 37-11-50, 38-7-20, 38-55-530, 38-70-60, 38-71-46, 38-71-145, 38-71-1520, 38-78-10, 39-23-20, 39-23-30, 39-23-40, 39-23-50, 39-23-60, 39-23-70, 39-23-100, 39-23-110, 39-23-120, 39-23-130, 40-7-60, 40-7-230, 40-10-230, 40-13-60, 40-13-110, 40-15-85, 40-15-102, 40-15-110, 40-23-10, 40-23-20, 40-23-110, 40-23-280, 40-23-300, 40-23-305, 40-23-310, 40-25-20, 40-25-170, 40-33-20, 40-33-30, 40-35-10, 40-35-20, 40-43-72, 40-43-83, 40-43-86, 40-43-87, 40-43-190, 40-43-195, 40-43-200, 40-45-300, 40-47-31, 40-47-32, 40-47-34, 40-61-20, 40-69-255, 40-71-10, 40-71-20, 40-81-20, 40-84-120, 41-27-280, 43-5-24, 43-5-910, 43-5-1185, 43-21-120, 43-21-130, 43-25-30, 43-33-350, 43-35-10, 43-35-15, 43-35-25, 43-35-35, 43-35-220, 43-35-310, 43-35-520, 43-35-560, 44-1-60, 44-1-70, 44-1-80, 44-1-90, 44-1-100, 44-1-110, 44-1-130, 44-1-140, 44-1-151, 44-1-152, 44-1-165, 44-1-170, 44-1-180, 44-1-190, 44-1-200, 44-1-210, 44-1-215, 44-1-220, 44-1-230, 44-1-280, 44-1-300, 44-1-310, 44-1-315, 44-2-20, 44-2-40, 44-2-60, 44-2-130, 44-2-150, 44-3-10, 44-3-150, 44-4-130, 44-4-300, 44-4-310, 44-4-320, 44-4-330, 44-4-340, 44-4-500, 44-4-510, 44-4-520, 44-4-530, 44-4-540, 44-4-550, 44-

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Reps. B. NEWTON, FORREST, KIRBY, HIOTT, BEACH, WHITE, KILMARTIN, FRANK, LIGON, B. L. COX, GILREATH, CROMER, ROBBINS and GILLIAM requested debate on the Bill.

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S. 221--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 221 -- Senators Ott and Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA KRATOM CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 20 TO CHAPTER 53, TITLE 44 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF THE SALE OF KRATOM PRODUCTS BY RETAILERS AND PROCESSORS AND TO CREATE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE ARTICLE.

The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to S. 221 (LC-221.VR0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking SECTION 2 and inserting:

SECTION 2. This act takes effect ~~upon~~sixty days following approval by the Governor.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. SESSIONS explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. WOOTEN proposed the following Amendment No. 2 to S. 221 (LC-221.PH0005H), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

SECTION X. Article 1, Chapter 53, Title 44 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 44-53-60. (A) It is unlawful for a person under the age of twenty-one to possess or consume a "consumable hemp product." A "consumable hemp product" is defined as a hemp, tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) or cannabinoid product that is a hemp- or cannabinoid- derived good intended for human ingestion, absorption, or consumption made from a cannabinoid that is naturally occurring in a hemp plant or made from a cannabinoid that is chemically derived or otherwise synthetically manufactured that has been extracted or purified from an agricultural product. The following chemically derived hemp cannabinoids are specifically included in the definition of a consumable hemp product:

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- (1) Hexahydrocannabinol (HHC);
- (2) Tetrahydrocannabinol acetate ester (THCo);
- (3) Tetrahydrocannabiphorol (THCp);
- (4) Delta 8 Tetrahydrocannabinol;
- (5) Delta 10 Tetrahydrocannabinol;
- (6) Delta 4 Tetrahydrocannabinol;
- (7) Delta 11 Tetrahydrocannabinol;
- (8) Delta 6a10a Tetrahydrocannabinol;
- (9) Hexahydrocannabinol Acetate (HHC-O);
- (10) Delta 9 Tetrahydrocannabiphorol;
- (11) Delta 9 Tetrahydrocannabihexol;
- (12) Delta 9 Tetrahydrocannabinol octyl;
- (13) Delta 9 Tetrahydrocannabinol methyl ether (THC-M);
- (14) Delta 8 Tetrahydrocannabinol octyl;
- (15) Delta 7 Tetrahydrocannabinol; or
- (16) any synthetic derivative or analog of the above compounds.

(B) It is unlawful for a person under twenty-one years of age to:

- (1) knowingly purchase, possess, or accept receipt of a consumable hemp product; or
- (2) knowingly present purported proof of age that is false, fraudulent, or not actually that person for the purpose of purchasing or receiving a consumable hemp product.

(C) A person violating subsection (B) is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than two hundred dollars or must be imprisoned for not more than thirty days, or both.

(D) No person may knowingly:

- (1) sell or distribute a product containing a consumable hemp product to a person who is under twenty-one years of age or purchase a product containing a consumable hemp product on behalf of a person who is under twenty-one years of age;
- (2) persuade, entice, send, or assist a person who is under twenty-one years of age to purchase, acquire, receive, or attempt to purchase a consumable hemp product. This section does not preclude law enforcement efforts involving:
 - (a) the use of a minor if the minor's parent or legal guardian has consented to this action; or
 - (b) the use of a person under twenty-one years of age who is not a minor if the individual has consented to this action;
- (3) distribute samples of consumable hemp product in or on a public street, sidewalk, or park; or

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(4) sell or distribute a consumable hemp product without having first obtained proof of age from the purchaser or recipient.

(E) A person violating subsection (D) is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction:

(1) for a first offense, must be fined not less than two hundred dollars nor more than three hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days, or both; and

(2) for a second or subsequent offense, must be fined not less than four hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days, or both.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. WOOTEN explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

REP. GATCH RAISED THE RULE 9.3 POINT OF ORDER THAT AMENDMENT NO. 2 WAS NOT GERMANE S.221.

REP. WOOTEN ARGUED CONTRA.

THE SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* SUSTAINED THE POINT OF ORDER AND RULED THE AMENDMENT OUT OF ORDER.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 114; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gilliam	Gilliard

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Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--114

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

ABSTENTION FROM VOTING

May 6, 2025
The Honorable House Murrell Smith Jr.
506 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

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Dear Speaker Smith,

I am notifying you in accordance with S.C. Code Ann. Section 8-13-700 that I will not participate in the vote on S. 221 by enacting the "South Carolina Kratom Consumer Protection Act" by adding Article 20 to Chapter 53, Title 44 so as to provide for the regulation of the sale of kratom products by retailers and processors and to create penalties for violation of the provisions of the article out of an abundance of caution. I will abstain from this vote because of a potential conflict of interest as an economic interest of myself and the business with which I am associated may be affected. Please note this in the House Journal.

Sincerely,

Representative Jordan Pace
House District Number 117

Rep. B. NEWTON moved that the House recede until 3:00 p.m., which was agreed to.

THE HOUSE RESUMES

At 3:00 p.m. the House resumed, the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* in the Chair.

POINT OF QUORUM

The question of a quorum was raised.

A quorum was later present.

Further proceedings were interrupted by expiration of time on the uncontested Calendar.

RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR

Rep. BURNS moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Rep. MOSS, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 614 -- Senator Matthews: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME HOLLY HALL ROAD IN BEAUFORT COUNTY

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"REVEREND JEANNINE R. SMALLS ROAD" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. MOSS, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 617 -- Senator Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE SHAWS CREEK BRIDGE ON US 1 IN AIKEN COUNTY AS THE "VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. MOSS, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 620 -- Senator Corbin: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE STRETCH OF HIGHWAY 276 AT 35°5'30" N BY 82°36'53" W IN GREENVILLE COUNTY "ALAMO COVE" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. MOSS, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 625 -- Senators Chaplin and Williams: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION OF SC 340 AND I-20 IN DARLINGTON COUNTY "GOVERNOR DAVID M. BEASLEY INTERSECTION" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

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Rep. MOSS, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 627 -- Senators Chaplin and Williams: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE LAKE PRESTWOOD BRIDGE IN DARLINGTON COUNTY "SPEAKER JAY LUCAS BRIDGE" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4499 -- Reps. Moss, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE EMMA LOUISE JEFFERIES HOUSTON ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDRED FOURTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

The Resolution was adopted.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4500 -- Reps. Erickson, Bradley, Herbkersman, Hager, Rivers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR RITA WILSON, CO-OWNER AND OPERATOR OF ALPHAGRAPHICS BEAUFORT, AND TO CONGRATULATE HER ON BEING NAMED THE SOUTH CAROLINA FEMALE SMALL BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR FOR 2025.

The Resolution was adopted.

H. 3115--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3115 -- Reps. Cobb-Hunter, Spann-Wilder and McCravy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 44-63-110, RELATING TO FEES CHARGED FOR COPIES OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES, SO AS TO WAIVE THE FEES FOR HOMELESS PERSONS.

Rep. TAYLOR moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Tuesday, January 13, which was agreed to.

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H. 4478--ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4478 -- Reps. Burns, Hiott, Pope, McGinnis and Haddon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 48-35-50, RELATING TO THE STATE FORESTER PROHIBITING FIRES, SO AS TO REQUIRE NOTICE OF THE PROHIBITION TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION FOR BROADCAST OF THE PROHIBITION ON ALL TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES WITHIN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Rep. BURNS explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 115; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck

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Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McDaniel
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--115

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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

H. 4342--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4342 -- Rep. M. M. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-15-175, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR RESTRICTED INSTRUCTORS' LICENSES ISSUED BY THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY, SO AS TO REMOVE LIMITATIONS ON CERTAIN CREDENTIALING REQUIREMENTS.

Rep. M. M. SMITH proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 4342 (LC-4342.PH0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking SECTION 1 and inserting:

SECTION X. Section 40-15-175 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 40-15-175. (A) The State Board of Dentistry may issue a

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restricted instructor's license to a dentist who:

(1) holds a valid license to practice dentistry in another state, country, or territory;

(2) has met or been approved under the credentialing standards of the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine or at a board-recognized, hospital-based residency program which must be situated in this State and with which the person is to be affiliated;

(3) has successfully completed:

(a) the final two years of a program leading to the doctor of dental surgery degree (D.D.S.) or doctor of dental medicine degree (D.M.D.) at an accredited dental school approved by the board;

(b) at least a two-year Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) approved advanced education program in a dental specialty recognized by the American Dental Association; or

(c) has successfully completed at least a two-year CODA-approved advanced education program in general dentistry;

(4) has not been refused a license or had a license revoked in this State or another state, country, or territory;

(5) passes an examination on jurisprudence as prescribed by the board; and

(6) is teaching dental medicine in South Carolina full-time at the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine or at a board-recognized, hospital-based residency program situated in this State.

(B) The board may waive requirement found in subsection (A)(3) if the applicant has a full-time academic faculty appointment at the rank of assistant professor or greater in a dental school in this State accredited by CODA.

~~(B)~~(C) A dentist with a restricted instructor's license is authorized to practice at or on behalf of the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine or at a board-recognized, hospital-based residency program situated in this State. The holder of a restricted instructor's license may practice general dentistry or in his area of specialty, but only in a clinic or office affiliated with the dental school or with a hospital-based residency program. A restricted instructor's license issued to a faculty member under this section terminates immediately and automatically, without any further action by the board, if the holder ceases to be a faculty member at the dental school or at a board-recognized, hospital-based residency program in this State.

~~(C)~~(D) A restricted instructor's license must be renewed biennially in accordance with procedures and fees as established by the board in

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regulation.

~~(D)~~(E) A dentist holding a restricted instructor's license issued pursuant to this section is subject to the provisions of this chapter and regulations promulgated under this chapter unless otherwise provided for in this section. The board may revoke a restricted instructor's license for a violation of this chapter or regulations promulgated under this chapter or if the holder fails to supply the board, within ten days of its request, with information as to his or her current status and activities in the teaching program.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. M. M. SMITH explained the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY moved to adjourn debate on the Bill, which was not agreed to by a division vote of 25-73.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 109; Nays 1

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bannister	Bauer
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey

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Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--109

Those who voted in the negative are:

Gibson

Total--1

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

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on H. 4342. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Beach

SPEAKER IN CHAIR

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H. 3813--FREE CONFERENCE POWERS GRANTED

Rep. HIXON moved that the Committee of Conference on the following Bill be resolved into a Committee of Free Conference and briefly explained the Conference Committee's reasons for this request:

H. 3813 -- Rep. Hixon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 50-11-430, RELATING TO BEAR HUNTING, SO AS TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO A REGISTERED PARTY DOG HUNT IN GAME ZONE 1.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 114; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Huff	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kilmartin	King	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	J. Moore	T. Moore

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Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--114

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

So, the motion to resolve the Committee of Conference into a Committee of Free Conference was agreed to.

The Committee of Conference was thereby resolved into a Committee of Free Conference. The SPEAKER appointed Reps. HIXON, HIOTT and MCDANIEL to the Committee of Free Conference and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

H. 3813--FREE CONFERENCE REPORT ADOPTED

The General Assembly, Columbia, S.C., May 05, 2025

The COMMITTEE OF FREE CONFERENCE, to whom was referred:

H. 3813 -- Rep. Hixon: TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 50-11-430, RELATING TO BEAR HUNTING, SO AS TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO A REGISTERED PARTY DOG HUNT IN GAME ZONE 1.

Beg leave to report that they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend:

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That the same do pass with the following amendments:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting words and inserting:

SECTION 1. Section 50-11-430 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 50-11-430. (A)(1) The open season for hunting and taking bear in Game Zone 1 is as follows:

(a) for still gun hunts, October 11 through October 23 on private land and October 11 through October 16 on wildlife management areas; and

(b) for dog hunts, October 17 through October 30 on private land and on wildlife management areas. ~~A party dog hunt in Game Zone 1 may not exceed twenty-five participants per party and shall register with the department by September first. Party participants, except those not required to have licenses shall submit their hunting license number in order to register.~~

(2) In all other game zones, the General Assembly finds it in the best interest of the State to allow the taking of black bear under strictly controlled conditions and circumstances. The department may establish a bear management program that allows for hunting and selective removal of bear in order to provide for the sound management of the animals and to ensure the continued viability of the species. The department must promulgate regulations to set the conditions for taking, including methods of take, areas, times, limits, and seasons, and other conditions to properly control the harvest of bear. appropriate quota of bear to be harvested in each game zone, or county within a game zone, and shall further promulgate regulations necessary to properly control the harvest of bear. The department may close an open season at any time, provided that the department gives at least twenty-four hours' notice to the public of the closure. (C) In Game Zones 2, 3, and 4 where the department declares an open season for hunting and taking bears on wildlife management areas, and all other areas under the ownership, control, or lease of the department, the season will be set by the department. The department may close an open season at any time, provided that the department gives at least twenty-four hours' notice to the public of the closure.

(D) Any bear taken must be tagged with a valid bear tag and reported by midnight of the day of the harvest to the department as prescribed. The tag must be attached to the bear as prescribed by the department before being moved from the point of kill.

(E) It is unlawful to:

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(1) hunt, take, or attempt to take a bear except during the open season;

(2) possess an untagged bear;

(3) take more than one bear per person during all seasons. In Game Zone 1 ~~a registered party dog hunt may take up to five bear per season per party~~; a person who has taken a bear during the season may participate in a registered dog hunt as long as the hunting license shows the bear tag endorsement, but the person may not take another bear;

(4) take or attempt to take a sow bear with cubs;

(5) possess or transport a freshly killed bear or bear part except during the open season for hunting and taking bear. This prohibition does not apply to bear lawfully taken in other jurisdictions. The department may issue a special permit for possession or transportation of a freshly killed bear or bear part outside of the season;

(6) possess a captive bear except pursuant to a permit issued by the department. A violation of the terms of the permit may result in revocation or a civil penalty of up to five thousand dollars, or both. An appeal must be made in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act;

(7) pursue bear with dogs; except during the open season for hunting and taking bear with dogs;

(8) hunt or take bear by the use or aid of bait; or attempt to hunt or take bear by use or aid of bait; hunt or take bear on or over a baited area. As used in this item:

(a) "Bait" means salt or shelled, shucked, or unshucked corn, wheat or other grain, or other foodstuffs that could constitute a lure, attraction, or enticement for bear.

(b) "Baiting" or "to bait" means placing, depositing, exposing, distributing, or scattering bait.

(c) "Baited area" means an area where bait is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed, or scattered, and the area remains a baited area for ten days following complete removal of all bait. Nothing in this section prohibits the hunting and taking of bear on or over lands or areas that are not otherwise baited and where:

(i) there are standing crops on the field where grown, including crops grown for wildlife management purposes; or

(ii) shelled, shucked, or unshucked corn, wheat or other grain, or seeds that have been distributed or scattered solely as the result of a normal agricultural practice as prescribed by the Clemson University Extension Service or its successor;

(9) buy, sell, barter, or exchange or attempt to buy, sell, barter, or

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exchange a bear or bear part;

(10) take or attempt to take a bear from a watercraft or other water conveyance or molest, take, or attempt to take a bear while the bear is swimming in a lake or river;

(11) fail to report a bear harvest in the manner provided by law.

(F)(1) Each of the acts provided for in subsection (E) is a violation of this section and is a separate offense.

(2) A person violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined not more than two thousand five hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than sixty days, or both. Hunting and fishing privileges of a person convicted under the provisions of this section must be suspended for three years. In addition, each person convicted of a violation of this section shall pay restitution to the department of not less than one thousand five hundred dollars for each bear or bear part that is the subject of a violation of this section. The magistrates court retains concurrent jurisdiction for offenses contained in this section.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Amend title to conform.

/s/Sen. Campsen

/s/Senator Ott

/s/Senator Turner

On part of the Senate.

/s/Rep. Hiott/s/

/s/Rep. Hixon/s/

/s/Rep. McDaniel

On part of the House.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 111; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Ballentine
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Chapman	Chumley	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank

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Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McDaniel
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terrible	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--111

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

The Free Conference Report was adopted and a message was ordered sent to the Senate accordingly.

HOUSE STANDS AT EASE

The House stood at ease subject to the call of the Chair.

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THE HOUSE RESUMES

At 4:09 p.m. the House resumed, the SPEAKER in the Chair.

OBJECTION TO RECALL

Rep. BAUER asked unanimous consent to recall S. 534 from the Committee on Ways and Means.

Rep. TAYLOR objected.

OBJECTION TO RECALL

Rep. RUTHERFORD asked unanimous consent to recall S. 146 from the Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs.

Rep. DAVIS objected.

OBJECTION TO RECALL

Rep. BAUER asked unanimous consent to recall H. 3762 from the Committee on Judiciary.

Rep. TAYLOR objected.

H. 3430--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3430 -- Reps. B. Newton, Murphy, Caskey, Mitchell, Pope, W. Newton, Bannister, Sessions, Jordan, Robbins, Collins, Martin, Lawson, Wickensimer, Landing, Long, Hiott, Forrest, Sanders, Teeple, Oremus, Hartz, Guest, Pedalino, M. M. Smith, Schuessler, Chapman, Gatch, McGinnis, Neese, Hardee, Ligon, Taylor, Willis, Vaughan, Brittain, Erickson, Bradley, Rankin, Hager, Whitmire, Gilliam, Crawford, Hewitt, Yow, Hixon, Ballentine, Gagnon and Brewer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 11-7-70 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE STATE AUDITOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; BY AMENDING SECTION 1-3-240, RELATING TO REMOVAL OF OFFICERS BY THE GOVERNOR, SO AS TO ADD THE STATE AUDITOR; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 11-7-10 RELATING TO THE SELECTION OF THE STATE AUDITOR.

Rep. POPE moved to adjourn debate on the Senate Amendments, which was agreed to.

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H. 4025--AMENDED AND INTERRUPTED DEBATE

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 4025 -- Ways and Means Committee: A BILL TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS AND TO PROVIDE REVENUES TO MEET THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, TO REGULATE THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Reps. BANNISTER, WHITMIRE, STAVRINAKIS, LOWE, BALLENTINE, CRAWFORD, MOSS, HEWITT, and MURPHY proposed the following Amendment No. 1A to Passed By The House

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AMEND THE BILL, AS AND IF AMENDED, BY STRIKING ALL AFTER THE ENACTING WORDS AND INSERTING THE BILL AS PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON MARCH 12, 2025, WHICH IS HEREBY INCORPORATED INTO THIS AMENDMENT.

Amend the bill further, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 3, line 5, opposite /SUMMER READING CAMPS/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
1,618,758	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 4, immediately after line 33, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
HIGH-QUALITY CHARTER SCHOOL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM	
272,750	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 5, line 19, opposite /SCIENCE PLUS (A850)/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
500	

Amend the bill further, Part IA, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 5, line 22, opposite /GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR ARTS & HUMANITIES (H640)/ by decreasing the amount in

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Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
145,590	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 5, line 24, opposite /WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL (H710)/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
53,216	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 5, line 26, opposite /SCHOOL FOR DEAF & BLIND (H750)/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
328,437	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 5, line 31, opposite /JOHN DE LA HOWE SC (L120)/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
100,708	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 5, line 32, opposite /CLEMSON AGRICULTURE EDUCATION TEACHERS (P200)/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
255,625	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 6, line 6, opposite /CALL ME MISTER (H120)/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
705,000	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 6, line 11, opposite /GOV SCHOOL FOR MATH & SCIENCE (H650)/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
201,416	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 6, line 15, opposite /DEPT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE (N120)/ by decreasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
97,500	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 1, DEPARTMENT

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OF EDUCATION, page 6, line 24, opposite /DEPT OF CORRECTIONS (N040)/ by increasing the amount in Column 5 by:

Column 5	Column 6
76,000	

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 14, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY (EDUCATION & GENERAL), page 29, line 5, opposite /CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
10,196,972	10,196,972

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 14, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY (EDUCATION & GENERAL), page 32, line 19, opposite /UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
12,196,972	12,196,972

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 15, UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, page 35, line 4, opposite /CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
67,589	67,589

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 18, LANDER UNIVERSITY, page 40, immediately after line 5, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	
50,000	50,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 18, LANDER UNIVERSITY, page 40, immediately after line 7, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - DEVELOPMENT OFFICER	
110,000	110,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 18, LANDER UNIVERSITY, page 40, line 9, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
364,800	364,800

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 18, LANDER UNIVERSITY, page 40, line 23, opposite /EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

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Column 5	Column 6
75,200	75,200

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 20A, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, page 43, line 5, opposite /CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
12,436,186	12,436,186

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 20A, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, page 43, line 15, opposite /UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
14,436,186	14,436,186

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 20a, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, page 43, immediately after line 21, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
CENTER FOR CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY AND RESEARCH	
500,000	500,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 20A, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, page 43, immediately after line 21, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM	
2,000,000	2,000,000

Amend the bill further, Part IA, Section 31, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, page 77, line 8, opposite /AGENCY LEASE PAYMENTS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
937,000	937,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 33, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, page 84, line 31, opposite /PROVIDER SUPPORT/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
1,000,000	1,000,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 33, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, page 85, line 5, opposite /CLTC - COMMUNITY LONG TERM CARE/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

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Column 5	Column 6
8,744,349	8,744,349

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 33, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, page 85, line 6, opposite /COORDINATED CARE/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
9,000,000	9,000,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 35, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, page 89, line 4, opposite /ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
1	1

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 40, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 111, line 29, opposite /CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
55,559	55,559

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 40, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 111, immediately after line 30, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS – PROGRAM COORDINATOR II	
55,559	55,559
(1.00)	(1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 40, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 112, line 18, opposite /CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
244,065	244,065

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 40, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 112, immediately after line 18, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST	
97,472	97,472
(1.00)	(1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 40,

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DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 112, immediately after line 18, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT	
66,488	66,488
(1.00)	(1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 40, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 112, immediately after line 18, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - PROGRAM MANAGER I	
80,105	80,105
(1.00)	(1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 43, FORESTRY COMMISSION, page 119, immediately after line 15, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - PROGRAM COORDINATOR II	
75,000	75,000
(1.00)	(1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 43, FORESTRY COMMISSION, page 119, line 17, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
60,000	60,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 43, FORESTRY COMMISSION, page 120, line 10, opposite /EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
35,000	35,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 44, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, page 122, line 29, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
1,000,000	1,000,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 157, line 32, opposite /FAMILY COURT JUDGE/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
423,698	423,698

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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 157, immediately after line 33, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - FAMILY COURT JUDGE	
635,547	635,547
(3.00)	(3.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 158, line 1, opposite /UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
88,000	88,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 158, immediately after line 2, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	
130,000	130,000
(3.00)	(3.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 158, line 4, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
96,698	96,698

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 158, line 34, opposite /UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by decreasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
195,000	195,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 159, immediately after line 1, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - COURT REPORTER I	
210,000	210,000
(3.00)	(3.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 160, line 16, opposite /EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
234,453	234,453

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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 58, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, page 161, line 6, opposite /UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
145,000	145,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 58, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, page 161, line 13, opposite /EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
55,100	55,100

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 167, immediately after line 5, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITION - COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN	

(1.00)	(1.00)
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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 167, immediately after line 16, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER II	

(4.00)	(4.00)
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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 167, line 18, by adding:

Column 5	Column 6
(1.00)	

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 167, immediately after line 28, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - CRIMINALIST I	

(4.00)	(4.00)
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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 167, immediately after line 28, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
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NEW POSITIONS – FORENSIC TECHNICIAN II

(1.00) (1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 168, immediately after line 6, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5 Column 6

NEW POSITIONS - SENIOR DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR

(1.00) (1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 168, immediately after line 6, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5 Column 6

NEW POSITIONS - ENDPOINT TECHNICIAN I

(1.00) (1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 168, immediately after line 6, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5 Column 6

NEW POSITIONS - ENDPOINT TECHNICIAN II

(1.00) (1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 168, immediately after line 14, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5 Column 6

NEW POSITIONS - ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST II

(1.00) (1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 169, immediately after line 3, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5 Column 6

NEW POSITIONS – STATISTICAL AND RESEARCH ANALYST II

(3.00) (3.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 169, immediately after line 12, by

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inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER III	

(1.00)	(1.00)
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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 62, STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 169, immediately after line 20, by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER II	

(3.00)	(3.00)
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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 63, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, page 171, line 19, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
500,000	500,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 63, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, page 172, line 20, opposite /SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
17,431,247	17,431,247

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 72, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, page 187, line 4, opposite /CHAIRMAN/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
70,684	70,684

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 72, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, page 187, line 6, opposite /COMMISSIONERS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
424,104	424,104

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 72, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, page 187, line 8, opposite /CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
46,512	46,512
(1.00)	(1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 78,

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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, page 194, immediately after line 22,
by inserting a new line to read:

Column 5	Column 6
NEW POSITIONS - ACTUARY	
150,000	150,000
(1.00)	(1.00)

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 78,
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, page 195, line 26, opposite
/EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS/ by increasing the amount(s) in
Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
64,500	64,500

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 91A, LEG. DEPT
- THE SENATE, page 214, line 7, opposite /OTHER OPERATING
EXPENSES/ by increasing the amount(s) in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
1,000,000	1,000,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 93, DEPT
OF ADMINISTRATION, page 222, line 9, opposite /OTHER
OPERATING EXPENSES/ by increasing the amount(s) in Columns 5
and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
275,000	275,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 93, DEPT
OF ADMINISTRATION, page 225, line 4, opposite /ENTERPRISE
TECHNOLOGY & REMEDIATION/ by increasing the amount(s) in
Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
3,141,942	3,141,942

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 100, ADJUTANT
GENERAL'S OFFICE, page 235, line 27, opposite /OTHER
OPERATING EXPENSES/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and
6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
1,000,000	1,000,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 101,
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS, page 238, line 16,
opposite /CASE SERVICES/ by decreasing the amounts in Column 6
by:

Column 5	Column 6
16,400,000	14,400,000

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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 102, ELECTION COMMISSION, page 240, line 26, opposite /AID TO COUNTIES - ELECTION COMMISSION/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
307,000	307,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 106, STATEWIDE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, page 246, line 7, opposite /HEALTH INSURANCE - EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION/ by increasing the amounts in Columns 5 and 6 by:

Column 5	Column 6
16,610,277	16,610,277

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 269, proviso 1.3, line 23, by striking /0.65/ and inserting /0.35/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 270, proviso 1.3, line 27, by inserting:

/ () The South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office shall review the student weightings used in the State Aid to Classrooms funding formula and examine methods to improve the alignment of State Aid to Classrooms funding with student enrollment while ensuring districts and charter authorizers receive more consistent distributions. The agency must consider input from policymakers and relevant stakeholders as determined by the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office. Any recommendations for changes to the formula must be submitted to the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Governor, and the Superintendent of Education by December 1, 2025. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 305, after line 3, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SDE: Charter School Authorizer Contracts) If a public or independent institution of higher learning charter authorizer ceases operations, any charter school under a current contract with the authorizer may apply to a new authorizer for the remainder of the charter school's contract term. Any charter school with an approved application that has not yet executed a contract as of the effective date of this act may elect to request that a new authorizer consider its application. Of the funds appropriated, the Department of Education shall create a LEA closure protocol to be fully implemented by June 1,

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2026 and a timeline for the transfer of any charter schools and the receipt and review of any applications by a new authorizer for this purpose. Schools shall not be required to resubmit a full application unless the new authorizer specifically identifies an area of concern.

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1a, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EIA, page 327, proviso 1A.63, by striking lines 12-13 and inserting:

/ (8) \$6,000,000 to the Statewide Implementation of the Imagination Library; and

(9) the balance of \$18,114,175 to the Department of Education for the purchase of instructional materials. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1A, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EIA, page 328, proviso 1A.69, lines 24-30, by amending the proviso to read:

/ (SDE-EIA: Developmental Education and Therapy Services) Of the funds appropriated for Developmental Education and Therapy Services for students with multiple documented disabilities, ~~\$486,486~~ \$651,501 shall be allocated to the Meyer Center, ~~\$1,513,514~~ \$1,648,499 shall be allocated to Pattison's Academy, and ~~\$1,300,000~~ \$1,000,000 shall be allocated to the SC Public Charter School District for Palmetto Excel. The funding allocated to the Public Charter School District is estimated to serve 150 students. If less students are served, the money must be retained and not expended by the Public Charter School District on a pro rata basis. Funds shall be disbursed by the department to the district in full not later than December 1, and the district shall remit the total allocation to the schools within 30 calendar days. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 338, after line 14, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (LEA: Purchase of Lottery Tickets) For the current fiscal year, Section 59-150-70(D)(2) is suspended. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 336, proviso 3.7, line 3, by striking / \$5,000,000 / and inserting / \$4,172,999 /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 336, proviso 3.7, after line 3 by inserting:

/ () Commission on Higher Education – Newberry College Dyslexia Program \$ 1,000,000.

() State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education – Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Pilot Program \$

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700,000; /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 336, proviso 3.7, line 8, by striking /\$19,848,953/ and inserting /\$10,848,952/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 336, proviso 3.7, after line 11, by inserting:

/ () Commission on Higher Education – Higher Education Excellence Enhancement Program (HEEEP) \$9,000,000; and

() Commission on Higher Education – Technology – Public Four-Year, Two-Year, and State Technical Colleges \$1. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 28, ARTS COMMISSION, page 356, after line 6, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(ARTS: Greenville Cultural and Arts Center) The City of Greenville is authorized to disperse a portion of the \$7,000,000 appropriated in Act 91 of 2019 in Proviso 118.16(41)(9) to the Greenville Cultural and Arts Center to a relevant arts entity./

Amend the bill further, Part IB, Section 31, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, page 366, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(DPH: Florence Health Department HVAC) The funds appropriated in Act 226 of 2024, section 118.20(B)(26)(D) to the Department of Public Health for Florence Health Department HVAC shall be redirected for the Department of Public Health's Florence Office Relocation and furniture./

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 49, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 399, after line 16, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(PRT: Pine Island State Park Access) Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, the department shall restrict public access of Pine Island State Park to scheduled visitors only. All visitors must have confirmed appointments, and such appointments shall be staggered to prevent overcrowding and ensure safety of the surrounding area./

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 49, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 399, after line 16, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(PRT: Sports Marketing – Motorsports Entertainment Complex) For the current fiscal year, of the funds appropriated for Sports Marketing, \$2,000,000 shall be allocated for the marketing and promotion of a

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motorsports entertainment complex, as defined in Section 12-21-2425, that hosts more than one National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing national touring race in this State./

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 50, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, page 403, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(CMRC: Economic Development Funds) Funds appropriated by Act 3 of 2023, Section 1(C), are reallocated for use by the Department of Commerce to support economic development infrastructure and other economic development purposes./

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 82, DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, page 449, after line 20, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (DMV: E-titling) (A) Of the funds appropriated in Part IA, Section 82, Department of Motor Vehicles, for Administration – Classified Positions, the Department must complete the procurement process as established in the South Carolina Procurement Code to award a contract for and establish a timeline to implement an electronic/digital titling program. The electronic/digital title program must provide electronic vehicle title processing services to include the transfer of vehicle ownership and the placement and release of liens for business customers including automotive dealers, lenders, and auctioneers.

(B) The department shall select and contract with a third-party vendor to create the program with a clear timeline of implementation established and approved by the applicable stakeholders by June 30, 2026. The department must provide the timeline of implementation to the Committees of Senate Finance, Senate Transportation, House Ways and Means, and House Education and Public Works by June 30, 2026. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 83, DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE, pages 447-448, proviso 83.7, lines 29 - 12, by striking the proviso in its entirety.

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 84, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, page 450, after line 18, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (DOT: Waiver Valuations) For federal funds appropriated to the department, cost estimates of twenty thousand dollars or less for uncomplicated acquisitions of real property, defined as those involving unimproved strips of land with no damages, no changes in highest and best use, or no significant costs to cure, are considered waiver valuations as defined by the Federal Highway Administration. Licensed

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or certified appraisers, licensed pursuant to S.C. Code Title 40, Chapter 60, preparing or reviewing a waiver valuation are precluded from complying with Standards Rules 1,2,3, and 4 of the "Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice," as promulgated by the Appraisals Standards Board of The Appraisal Foundation. The department shall submit a detailed report on the waiver valuations to the Senate Transportation Committee and the House Education and Public Works Committee by June 30, 2026. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 91, LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, page 458, after line 2, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(LEG: LAC Third-Party Agency Operational Review) (A) The following applies to the funds appropriated in Proviso 118.22(65) of this Act for Government Efficiency RFP Review:

(1) "Council" means the Legislative Audit Council.

(2) "Independent third-party" means a person or entity that has no personal, familial, or business relationship, and no economic interest, that is distinct from that of the general public, in connection with the agency under review.

(i) To be qualified, a person or entity must not be affiliated with, or act on behalf of, any entity that appears before, is regulated by, or conducts business directly or indirectly with an agency selected for review.

(ii) A person or entity is disqualified from serving as the independent third party if they are regulated by the agency, conduct business with the agency, or are associated with a regulated entity in a way that creates a continuing or frequent conflict with the duties imposed by this provision.

(3) "Economic interest" shall have the same meaning as provided in Section 8-13-100(11) of the South Carolina Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act

(4) "Agency means an authority, board, branch, commission, committee, department, division, or other instrumentality of the executive or judicial departments of state government, including administrative bodies. "Agency" includes a body corporate and politic established as an instrumentality of the State.

(B) From the funds appropriated to the council, or from funds otherwise authorized by the General Assembly for this purpose, the council shall issue a Request For Procurement to engage an independent third-party to conduct operational and expenditure reviews of no fewer than two agencies to be selected at the discretion of the council.

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(1) In making its determination, the council may consider relevant factors including, but not limited to, the total amount of funds appropriated to the agency, number of full-time employees or the equivalent thereof, breadth of regulatory or service responsibilities, within the State.

(2) This provision shall not be construed to allow the inclusion of entities with narrowly defined missions, limited regulatory impact, or minimal administrative infrastructure.

(C) The scope of each third-party review shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) identifying opportunities to streamline agency operations, improve internal efficiencies, reduce procurement and operational expenses, eliminate wasteful government spending, evaluate existing agency contracts for potential cost savings or restructuring, modernize government operations and reduce unnecessary bureaucracy, and achieve overall spending reductions;

(2) identifying duplicative or inefficient functions that may be consolidated within an agency, across departments of the same agency;

(3) reviewing for the adequacy and continuing relevance of regulations promulgated by the agency and identifying regulations that are inconsistent with the statute, obsolete, or expand their meaning beyond the intent of the statute;

(4) ensuring effective use of taxpayer dollars; and

(5) leveraging innovative practices that focus on transparency, accountability, and fiscal responsibility.

(D) To carry out the provisions of this item, the council is authorized to enter into Memorandums of Understanding with the selected agencies to access and share relevant data, documents, and records with the independent third-party reviewer. The agency under review shall cooperate in good faith with requests for information made by the council, subject to applicable state and federal confidentiality and privacy laws.

(E) The council shall serve as the gatekeeper of agency data, documents, and records and is responsible for ensuring that all data, documents, and records shared with the independent third party has been reviewed and, where required by law, appropriately redacted or anonymized by the selected agencies. In facilitating access to such data, the council shall take reasonable measures to ensure the nondisclosure of any personal identifiable information, protected health information, or other confidential information, in accordance with the Family Privacy Protection Act (Section 30-2-10, et seq.), the Freedom of

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Information Act (Section 30-4-10, et seq.), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (42 U.S.C. Section 1320, et seq.), and other applicable provisions of state and federal law.

(F) The independent third-party must enter into a data-sharing and confidentiality agreement with the council and shall not retain or disclose any confidential information obtained in the course of the review. The third party shall take reasonable security measures to prevent unauthorized access to or disclosure of data and shall return or destroy all agency information at the conclusion of the review, as required by the terms of the agreement or applicable law.

(G) The third party shall not use or disclose any confidential or internal information obtained through the agency review in a manner that would affect an economic interest held by the independent third party, a member of its personnel or executive leadership, a member of their immediate families, or any individual or business with which the independent third party is associated.

(H) The provisions of Sections 8-13-700, 8-13-705, 8-13-710, 8-13-725, and 8-13-730 shall apply to the conduct of the independent third-party as if the third party were a public official or employee.

(I) Unless otherwise authorized by law, the third party shall not willfully examine, nor aid or abet the examination of, any individual tax return, workers' compensation record, health or medical record, or social services record in the possession or control of the agency if the purpose of such examination is improper or otherwise unrelated to the scope of the review.

(J) By January 1, 2026, the independent third party shall submit a written report to the Council, General Assembly and the Governor detailing all findings, recommendations, and actions taken pursuant to this provision.

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 92D, OFFICE OF RESILIENCE, page 459, after line 5, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SCOR: Hurricane Helene Habitat for Humanity Collaboration) (A) Of the funds appropriated to the South Carolina Office of Resilience (SCOR) for Fiscal Year 2025–26, \$2,000,000 shall be allocated for the Hurricane Helene Home Repair Program in partnership with Habitat for Humanity South Carolina. This program shall expand the Common Housing Operating Picture (CHOP) to repair owner-occupied residential homes for Low to Moderate Income households located in FEMA Individual Assistance (IA)–designated counties.

(B) Grant funds shall be awarded to Habitat for Humanity South

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Carolina and distributed by county based on criteria established by SCOR, including demonstrated need, program capacity, local unmet needs, and alignment with the South Carolina Hurricane Helene Housing Strategy.

(C) SCOR shall develop program guidelines, including subaward Procedures, reporting requirements, and accountability measures. Habitat for Humanity South Carolina shall coordinate with SCOR to manage program obligations and oversee local Habitat affiliates responsible for conducting repairs.

(D) Homeowner eligibility shall be determined by SCOR via CHOP, unless otherwise authorized by SCOR. Grant funds may be used for home repairs. A minimum of 55 homes damaged by Hurricane Helene shall be repaired across no fewer than 10 FEMA IA-declared counties. Habitat for Humanity South Carolina shall submit quarterly outcome and budget reports to SCOR.

(E) By June 30th of the fiscal year, SCOR shall submit a report to the Governor and the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means committees detailing grant allocations, participating affiliates, homes repaired, and the program's impact on post-disaster housing recovery. Unexpended funds shall be carried forward and used for the same purpose in the following fiscal year./

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 108, PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY, page 482, proviso 108.6, lines 22-27, by amending the proviso to read:

/ (PEBA: State Health Plan) Of the funds authorized for the State Health Plan pursuant to Section 1-11-710(A)(2) ~~of the 1976 Code~~, an employer premium increase of ~~11.8~~ 4.6 percent and a subscriber premium increase of zero percent will result for the standard State Health Plan for Plan Year ~~2025~~ 2026. Notwithstanding the foregoing, pursuant to Section 1-11-710(A)(3), the Public Employee Benefit Authority may adjust the plan, benefits, or contributions of the State Health Plan during Plan Year ~~2025~~ 2026 to ensure the fiscal stability of the Plan. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 544, proviso 117.152, line 11, by striking / \$10,196,972 / and inserting / \$12,196,972 /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 544, proviso 117.152, line 12, by striking / \$2,752,554 / and inserting / \$2,820,143 /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 544, proviso 117.152, line 17, by striking / \$12,436,186 / and inserting / \$14,436,186 /

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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, proviso 117.193, lines 4-12, by amending the proviso to read:

/ (GP: FTE Management) In order to better manage the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) positions across state government, not later than ninety days after the passage of the General Appropriations Act or by October 1, whichever comes later, the Executive Budget Office (EBO), in consultation with the State Division of Human Resources (DSHR) shall eliminate 25% of each agency's vacant FTE positions as of February 1, 2025, unless specifically exempted elsewhere in this act. The elimination of 25% of vacant FTE positions will be adjusted to reflect FTE positions received in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 General Appropriations Act or the Fiscal Year 2024-25 General Appropriations Act. Agencies shall consult with EBO and DSHR to identify which vacant positions should be eliminated, but the eliminations must align to the funding source for the identified vacant FTE positions. During agency consultations, EBO and DSHR shall determine if agencies have fewer than 5 vacancies or other extenuating circumstances and exempt those agencies from the required reduction. Extenuating circumstances may include that the agency or institution has reduced its authorized FTE count in the last several fiscal years or that it is in the process of hiring positions essential to the health, safety, and welfare of the public and/or critical operations of the State and the reduction would interfere with filling those positions. EBO must report the number of FTEs deleted by agency, program, and funding source to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee by December 1st of the current fiscal year. This proviso does not supersede proviso 57.15 or proviso 91.23 /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, proviso 117.196, lines 17 - 23, by striking the proviso in its entirety.

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (GP: Tax Rate) For the current fiscal year, Section 12-6-510(B)(2) and (3) is suspended./

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: Fund Investment) In the current fiscal year, the Office of State Treasurer may not invest any funds under their control in investments

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that utilize in any material, substantive manner an investment or business operational factor, policy, or practice including, but not limited to, commonly described Social, Environmental, and Governance (ESG) and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) factors, policies, and practices whose pecuniary effect is not directly tied to maximizing investment returns or other strictly financial interests or objectives. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: Interim Neurological and Critical Care Hospital Board) (A) With the funds appropriated to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for Neurological Critical Care and Rehabilitation Services in South Carolina, there is created the Interim Neurological and Critical Care Hospital Board at the University of South Carolina. The Interim Board shall serve for the purpose of assisting in the University's establishment of the state's first Clinical Neurological and Rehabilitation Hospital. Upon receipt of the certificate of occupancy for the facility, the Interim Board shall be dissolved unless extended by separate action by the General Assembly. In addition to the funds appropriated by the General Assembly to DHHS for Neurological Critical Care and Rehabilitation Services, DHHS is authorized to transfer an additional \$200,000,000 of agency funds to the University of South Carolina for the same purposes. The board shall consist of the following members, who shall be appointed on or before July 31, 2025, and shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing official:

(1) one member appointed by the Chairman of Senate Finance Committee;

(2) one member appointed by the President of the Senate;

(3) one member appointed by the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee;

(4) one member appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(5) one member appointed by the Governor; and

(6) two members from the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees, of which one must be the Chairman of the USC Board at July 1, 2025 and the other Chairman of the USC Health and Medical Affairs Committee at July 1, 2025.

(B) The Chairman of the Interim Board shall be one of the members appointed by the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the President of the Senate, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, or the Speaker of the House to be elected by the board.

(C) The board shall be administratively supported by the

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University of South Carolina.

(D) The University of South Carolina is authorized to undertake permanent improvements necessary for Neurological Critical Care and Rehabilitation Services. Further, the funds appropriated for this purpose may be carried forward and expended for the necessary permanent improvements. The funds must be accounted for separately, and the university shall report semiannually to the Chairman of the Joint Bond Review Committee on the amount of funding carried forward, the amount remaining to be expended, the overall status of the project, and any other information requested by the committee./

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: Trust Fund) For the current fiscal year, Section 11-11-150(D) is suspended. /

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 585, proviso 118.21, line 14, after /equals/ by striking /6.2%/ and inserting /6.0%/ and after /which the/ by striking /6.2%/ and inserting /6.0%/.

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, pages 585-591, proviso 118.22, by striking the proviso in its entirety and inserting:

/ (SR: Nonrecurring Revenue) (A) The source of revenue appropriated in subsection (B) is nonrecurring revenue generated from the following sources:

(1) \$332,294,362 from Contingency Reserve Fund;

(2) \$557,547,400 from Fiscal Year 2024-25

Projected Surplus;

(3) \$34,054,856 from Litigation Recovery Account;

(4) \$109,752,745 from Excess Debt Service;

(5) \$6,254,723 from Excess Statewide Employee

Benefits;

(6) \$1,643,873 from Fiscal Year 2024-25 Projected Debt Service Lapse;

(7) \$2,290,000 from Fiscal Year 2024-25 Governor Vetoes;

(8) \$4,000,000 from Workers' Compensation – Overage of IT project;

(9) \$80,000,000 from Tax Relief Trust Fund; and

(10) any residual certified unappropriated general fund dollars.

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Any restrictions concerning specific utilization of these funds are lifted for the specified fiscal year. The above agency transfers shall occur no later than thirty days after the close of the books on Fiscal Year 2024-25 and shall be available for use in Fiscal Year 2025-26.

This revenue is deemed to have occurred and is available for use in Fiscal Year 2025-26 after September 1, 2025, following the Comptroller General's close of the state's books on Fiscal Year 2024-25.

(B) The appropriations in this provision are listed in priority order. Item (1) must be funded first and each remaining item must be fully funded before any funds are allocated to the next item. Provided, however, that any individual item may be partially funded in the order in which it appears to the extent that revenues are available.

The State Treasurer shall disburse the following appropriations by September 30, 2025, for the purposes stated:

- (1) F010 General Reserve Fund
General Reserve Fund Contribution \$
99,695,200;
- (2) H630 Department of Education
 - (a) Education Scholarship Trust Fund \$
15,000,000;
 - (b) High Quality Instructional Materials \$
1;
 - (c) School of Workforce Innovation Pilot -
Phase 2 \$ 1;
- (3) H620 First Steps
 - Innovation Investments \$ 1,250,000;
- (4) H710 Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School
 - (a) Building and Office Maintenance \$
600,000;
 - (b) Student Recreational \$ 125,000;
- (5) H750 School for the Deaf and the Blind
 - (a) CLRC - Roof Repairs \$ 1,000,000;
 - (b) HVAC - Memminger Hall, CLRC and
Dobson House \$ 1,000,000;
 - (c) Walker Hall Maintenance and Repairs \$
500,000;

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(6) L120 Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe

(a) De la Howe Hall Site Work \$
2,000,000;

(b) Meat Processing Lab and Cannery \$
4,000,000;

(7) H670 Educational Television Commission

(a) Combined Control Room Modernization
\$ 1,500,000;

(b) Facility Security Update \$ 1,000,000;

(c) Fire Suppression\$ 400,000;

(d) HVAC Replacement \$ 5,000,000;

(8) H640 Governor's School for Arts and Humanities

(a) Film Equipment for New Art Program \$
100,000;

(b) Gallery/Flexible Instructional Space\$
1,000,000;

(9) H650 Governor's School for Science and Mathematics

Replacement of 6 Des Champs HVAC Units for
Residence Halls \$ 1,850,000;

(10) H090 The Citadel

(a) Deas Hall Renovation \$ 7,000,000;

(b) Engineering Building Replacement \$
12,900,000;

(c) Renovation of Workforce Housing\$
2,000,000;

(11) H120 Clemson University

(a) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(b) NextGen Computing Complex \$ 1;

(12) H150 University of Charleston

Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement
\$ 4,000,000;

(13) H170 Coastal Carolina University

Wheelwright Auditorium Renovation\$
4,488,000;

(14) H180 Francis Marion University

(a) Hyman Fine Arts Center Building
Renovation \$ 5,000,000;

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(b) Leatherman Science Facility/McNair
Science Building Renovation \$
1,320,000;
(15) H210 Lander University
(a) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;
(b) Marion Carnell Learning Center
Renovation \$ 5,940,000;
(16) H240 South Carolina State University
(a) Renovation of Dr. Maceo O. Nance Hall
\$ 15,000,000;
(b) Replacement of Smith Hammond
Middleton Convocation Center \$
5,000,000;
(17) H270 University of South Carolina - Columbia
(a) Battery Center Facility \$ 13,200,000;
(b) Maintenance Repair and Renovation:
Coker College Maintenance Renovation
\$ 1;
(18) H290 University of South Carolina - Aiken
Science Building Enhancement and
Modernization \$ 8,350,000;
(19) H340 University of South Carolina - Upstate
(a) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 10,000,000;
(b) Recreation and Tourism Management
Center \$ 6,000,000;
(20) H360 University of South Carolina - Beaufort
New Convocation Center \$ 9,250,000;
(21) H370 University of South Carolina - Lancaster
Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement
\$ 1,320,000;
(22) H380 University of South Carolina -
Salkehatchie
Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement
\$ 1,320,000;
(23) H390 University of South Carolina - Sumter
(a) Collaboration Lab \$ 5,506,900;
(b) Facilities Management Center \$
3,000,000;

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(c) Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 1;

(24) H400 University of South Carolina – Union Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 1,320,000;

(25) H470 Winthrop University Academic Programs \$ 2,309,996;

(b) Administrative Building Renovation \$ 4,620,000;

(c) Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 1;

(26) H510 Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine Academic Building \$ 1;

(b) Lancaster Medical Center Graduate Medical Education (GME) Program \$ 5,802,000;

(c) Southeastern Health AI Consortium \$ 6,600,000;

(27) H590 State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education

(a) Make It In SC \$ 500,000;

(b) readySC \$ 1;

(c) SC WINS \$ 1;

(d) Aiken Technical College

(i) Demolition of the 100/200 and 300 buildings \$ 606,000;

(ii) Equipment Funding \$ 1,818,550;

(iii) ITC Roof Replacement \$ 594,000;

(iv) Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 1;

(v) Parking Lot Refurbishment \$ 792,000;

(e) Technical College of the Lowcountry Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 1;

(f) Denmark Technical College New Building - Cybersecurity, Energy, Healthcare \$ 2,310,000;

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(g) Florence-Darlington Technical College
Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(h) Greenville Technical College
(i) Center for Industrial Cyber Security
and AI \$ 16,000,000;

(ii) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(i) Horry-Georgetown Technical College
(i) Equip Grand Strand Speir Healthcare
Building \$ 1;

(ii) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(j) Midlands Technical College
(i) Advanced Trades Center \$
16,000,000;

(ii) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(k) Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College
(i) Health Sciences Building \$
5,086,000;

(ii) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(l) Piedmont Technical College
Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 2,000,000;

(m) Spartanburg Community College
Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(n) Central Carolina Technical College
(i) Kershaw Campus Expansion \$
5,000,000;

(ii) Maintenance, Renovation, and
Replacement \$ 1;

(iii) Technical High School Workforce
Center \$ 15,000,000;

(o) Tri-County Technical College
(i) Diesel Mechanic Training Facility
\$ 1;

(ii) Forestry Technician Program
Facility \$ 1;

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(iii) Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 511,666;

(p) Trident Technical College Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 4,271,487;

(q) Williamsburg Technical College Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 1,000,000;

(r) York Technical College (i) Maintenance, Renovation, and Replacement \$ 1;

(ii) Trades Program Expansion \$ 12,000,000;

(28) H790 Department of Archives and History (a) Exhibit Hall and Meeting Space Expansion \$ 1,250,000;

(b) SC American Revolution Sestercentennial Commission \$ 1,300,000;

(29) H910 Arts Commission Support Grants for Community Arts Organizations \$ 1,000,000;

(30) H950 State Museum Commission (a) Imagery Server Repository and Backup Expansion \$ 100,000;

(b) Reimagine the Experience Permanent Gallery Improvement Project \$ 1;

(c) Security Alarm System & Wayfinding Emergency Public Announcement System \$

300,000;
(31) H960 Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum Commission

(a) Conrad Wise Chapman Paintings \$ 150,000;

(b) International Aspect of the American Civil War Exhibit \$ 750,000;

(c) Main Gallery Exhibits Updates \$ 500,000;

(d) South Carolina Vietnam Veterans' Oral Interviews \$ 30,000;

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(32) J060 Department of Public Health
(a) Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies \$
1,600,000;
(b) Modernizing IT Infrastructure Support
Systems \$ 10,000,000;
(c) SCBio \$ 500,000;
(33) H730 Department of Vocational Rehabilitation
(a) Dorm Building VR Center – Heat Pump
Unit Replacement \$ 73,750;
(b) Evaluation VR Center / State Office
Repaving \$ 150,000;
(c) ITTC/Rehabilitation Engineering Building
Repaving \$ 150,000;
(34) J020 Department of Health and Human Services
(a) Children's Hospital Collaborative \$
2,000,000;
(b) Statewide Pediatric Bed Enhancements
\$ 1;
(35) J120 Department of Mental Health
(a) Alternative Transportation Program \$ 1;
(b) Berkeley and Orangeburg County Jail
Based Programs \$ 800,000;
(c) Inpatient Services Capital Needs \$
9,370,000;
(36) J160 Department of Disabilities and Special
Needs
(a) Residential Services \$ 3,500,000;
(b) South Carolina Genomic Medicine
Initiative \$ 1,000,000;
(37) L040 Department of Social Services
(a) Economic Services System Application
Modernization
(ESSAM) – DDI Phase \$ 1;
(b) SNAP Employment and Training Funding
\$ 400,000;
(38) L080 Department of Children's Advocacy
IT Operations \$ 77,000;
(39) L320 Housing Finance and Development
Authority
First-time Homebuyers Workforce Housing \$
1;

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(40) P120 Forestry Commission
(a) Computer-Aided Dispatch and Related IT
\$ 550,000;
(b) Mechanic Recruitment and Retention &
Vehicle and
Supplies \$ 63,000;
(c) Prescribed Fire Capacity \$ 1;
(41) P160 Department of Agriculture
(a) Equipment Replacement \$ 1,120,000;
(b) Regional Farmers Markets \$
2,000,000;
(42) P200 Clemson University Public Service
Activities
PSA Planned Maintenance and Critical
Infrastructure \$ 1;
(43) P210 SC State University Public Service
Activities
(a) Agriculture Innovation Research \$
500,000;
(b) Animal Research & Education Center
(AREC) \$ 1;
(c) Statewide Extension Agribusiness
Development \$ 650,000;
(44) P240 Department of Natural Resources
(a) Disaster Relief Grant Match Funding \$
1;
(b) Field & Regional Building Maintenance &
Construction \$ 2,000,000;
(c) Law Enforcement Equipment \$
1,000,000;
(d) State Lakes - High Hazard Dams and
Spillway Repair \$ 27,755,000;
(e) Statewide Flood Inundation Map
Modeling \$ 1,500,000;
(f) Waterfowl Impoundments Infrastructure
Maintenance \$ 1,500,000;
(g) Waterways Protection Fund (S. 367) \$
750,000;
(45) P280 Department of Parks, Recreation and
Tourism

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- (a) Agency Property Development \$
15,000,000;
- (b) Beach Renourishment Grants \$
1,524,000;
- (c) Destination Specific Marketing Grants \$
6,000,000;
- (d) Film Incentives \$ 4,000,000;
- (e) SCATR - Regional Promotions \$
1,100,000;
- (f) Sports Marketing \$ 4,000,000;
- (g) State Park Maintenance and Repairs \$
1,000,000;
- (h) Tourism Development \$ 9,573,000;
- (46) P320 Department of Commerce
 - (a) Airport Enhancements \$ 80,000,000;
 - (b) LocateSC - Site Readiness \$ 80,000,000;
 - (46.1) The funds in item (46)(a) shall be distributed to
primary commercial airports as defined by the Federal
Aviation Administration (FAA) which had a minimum of
500,000 enplanements per calendar year 2023 data available
from the FAA. The funds shall be distributed as follows: 46%
to Charleston International Airport, 25% to Greenville-
Spartanburg International Airport, 19% to Myrtle Beach
International Airport, and 10% to Columbia Metropolitan
Airport. The Secretary of Commerce may utilize up to ten
million dollars of these funds for the purposes of airport
enhancements to further aviation industry economic
development at non-primary commercial airports owned by a
subdivision of the State of South Carolina.
- (47) P400 SC Conservation Bank
 - (a) Conservation Grant Funding \$
9,000,000;
 - (b) State Resource Agency Strategic Land
Acquisition \$ 1;
 - (c) Working Ag Lands Grant \$ 1;
- (48) P450 Rural Infrastructure Authority
 - (a) Rural Infrastructure Fund \$ 12,000,000;
 - (b) Statewide Water and Sewer Fund \$
15,000,000;
- (49) P500 Department of Environmental Services
 - Electrical Utilities Permitting \$ 4,700;

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(50) B040 Judicial Department
(a) Bamberg County Courthouse \$
8,500,000;
(b) Case Management System Modernization
\$ 25,000,000;
(51) E200 Attorney General's Office
(a) Crime Victim Assistance SAVS Program
\$ 19,452,149;
(b) Legal Fees \$ 6,000,000;
(52) D100 State Law Enforcement Division
(a) Agency IT Operating \$ 1,000,000;
(b) Agency Operating \$ 1,000,000;
(c) Personnel Equipment \$ 500,000;
(53) K050 Department of Public Safety
(a) 9-1-1 IVR costs for SCDPS
Implementation \$ 1,000,000;
(b) DMV Headquarters Ground Floor HVAC
Renovation \$ 1;
(c) Law Enforcement Equipment \$
1,000,000;
(d) Radio Replacement Life Cycling \$
500,000;
(e) School Safety Program \$ 8,324,448;
(54) N040 Department of Corrections
(a) Cell Phone Interdiction \$ 3,500,000;
(b) Deferred Maintenance \$ 2,500,000;
(c) Prison Industries Operating Costs \$
1,000,000;
(d) Security Equipment Replacement \$
500,000;
(55) N080 Department of Probation, Parole and
Pardon Services
(a) Agency Fleet Cost \$ 350,000;
(b) IT Modernization \$ 750,000;
(56) N120 Department of Juvenile Justice
IT Ongoing Security Assessment and
Remediation \$ 1,300,000;
(57) R200 Department of Insurance
Safe Homes Program \$ 1;
(58) R600 Department of Employment and
Workforce

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(a) Graduation Alliance \$ 1,000,000;
(b) Statewide Education & Workforce
Development Portal \$ 10,300,000;
(59) U120 Department of Transportation
(a) Bridge Modernization \$ 200,000,000;
(b) Hurricane Helene \$ 35,000,000;
(c) Off-State Litter \$ 1;
(60) U150 Infrastructure Bank Board
Act 37 Adjustments \$ 1,300,000;
(61) U300 Division of Aeronautics
Airport Safety and Development \$
5,000,000;
(62) A010 The Senate
Operating Expenses \$ 500,000;
(63) A050 House of Representatives
Operating Expenses \$ 5,000,000;
(64) A170 Legislative Services Agency
Enterprise Software System \$ 6,500,000;
(65) A200 Legislative Audit Council
Government Efficiency RFP Review \$ 10,000;
(66) D300 Office of Resilience
(a) Data Collection/Coordination \$
1,000,000;
(b) Disaster Relief and Resilience Reserve
Fund Replenishment \$ 40,000,000;
(c) MUSC Charleston Medical District
Elevated Walkway \$ 18,000,000;
(d) Watershed Coordination & Planning \$
5,000,000;
(67) D500 Department of Administration
(a) Independent Compliance Consultant\$
1,800,000;
(b) Modernized IT Service Management
Platform \$ 9,000,000;
(c) State Facilities Master Planning \$
725,000;
(d) State-Owned Buildings Security Upgrades
\$ 2,929,318;
(68) E160 State Treasurer's Office
Database Services \$ 192,000;
(69) E240 Adjutant General's Office

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(a) Armory Revitalization \$ 1,500,000;
(b) SCEMD - Safeguarding Tomorrow
Revolving Loan Fund \$ 1,000,000;
(c) SCEMD - SC Public Assistance Program
\$ 1;
(d) Wireless Network support to NG Armories
and key facilities \$ 1;
(70) E260 Department of Veterans' Affairs
(a) E. Roy Stone State Veteran Home Facility
Maintenance Improvements \$
1,400,000;
(b) Military Enhancement Fund \$
5,000,000;
(71) E280 Election Commission
(a) Annual Election Costs \$ 708,000;
(b) State Matching Funds for 2023 HAVA
Grant \$ 200,000;
(c) Statewide voting system upgrade \$
10,970,755; and
(72) E550 State Fiscal Accountability Authority
SCPro Procurement Module \$ 3,200,000.
(C) Unexpended funds appropriated pursuant to this
provision may be carried forward to succeeding fiscal years
and expended for the same purposes.
(D) After funding has been disbursed for the above items,
to the extent that revenues are available in excess of what has
been spent, \$35,000,000 shall be used to settle pending
lawsuits as approved by the State Fiscal Accountability
Authority. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. BANNISTER explained the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 98; Nays 17

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers

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Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Martin
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--98

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Chumley	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Kilmartin	Magnuson	May
McCabe	Morgan	Pace
Terribile	White	

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Total--17

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 2A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\4025C035.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 590, paragraph 118.22(B), after line 14,
by adding an appropriatley numbered proviso to read:

/ () Town of Eastover – Lower Richland
Tech Academy \$500,000

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. HIOTT moved cloture on the entire matter.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 65; Nays 48

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Chapman	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Davis	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Martin
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Moss

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Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--65

Those who voted in the negative are:

Anderson	Bamberg	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Chumley
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cromer
Dillard	Edgerton	Frank
Garvin	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Grant	Harris
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Luck	Magnuson
May	McCabe	McDaniel
J. Moore	Morgan	Pace
Reese	Rivers	Rose
Rutherford	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Terribile	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Williams

Total--48

So, cloture was ordered.

Rep. BANNISTER spoke against the amendment.

Rep. BANNISTER moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 85; Nays 26

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Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bannister	Beach
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilreath
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Huff	J. E. Johnson
Jordan	Kilmartin	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
W. Newton	Pace	Pope
Rankin	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--85

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bamberg	Bauer	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Dillard	Garvin
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	Howard
J. L. Johnson	Jones	King
Kirby	Luck	McDaniel
J. Moore	B. Newton	Reese

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Spann-Wilder
White

Waters
Williams

Weeks

Total--26

So, the amendment was tabled.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I inadvertently voted “no” on Amendment No. 2A to H. 4025, but I meant to vote “yes.” I wish to have this recorded in the House Journal.

Representative Brandon Newton
District Number 45

H. 3430--RECONSIDERED

Rep. POPE moved to reconsider the vote whereby debate was adjourned on the following Bill, which was agreed to:

H. 3430 -- Reps. B. Newton, Murphy, Caskey, Mitchell, Pope, W. Newton, Bannister, Sessions, Jordan, Robbins, Collins, Martin, Lawson, Wickensimer, Landing, Long, Hiott, Forrest, Sanders, Teeple, Oremus, Hartz, Guest, Pedalino, M. M. Smith, Schuessler, Chapman, Gatch, McGinnis, Neese, Hardee, Ligon, Taylor, Willis, Vaughan, Brittain, Erickson, Bradley, Rankin, Hager, Whitmire, Gilliam, Crawford, Hewitt, Yow, Hixon, Ballentine, Gagnon and Brewer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 11-7-70 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE STATE AUDITOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; BY AMENDING SECTION 1-3-240, RELATING TO REMOVAL OF OFFICERS BY THE GOVERNOR, SO AS TO ADD THE STATE AUDITOR; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 11-7-10 RELATING TO THE SELECTION OF THE STATE AUDITOR.

Further proceedings were interrupted by the reconsideration of adjourning debate on H. 3430.

**H. 3430--SENATE AMENDMENTS AMENDED AND
RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

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H. 3430 -- Reps. B. Newton, Murphy, Caskey, Mitchell, Pope, W. Newton, Bannister, Sessions, Jordan, Robbins, Collins, Martin, Lawson, Wickensimer, Landing, Long, Hiott, Forrest, Sanders, Teeple, Oremus, Hartz, Guest, Pedalino, M. M. Smith, Schuessler, Chapman, Gatch, McGinnis, Neese, Hardee, Ligon, Taylor, Willis, Vaughan, Brittain, Erickson, Bradley, Rankin, Hager, Whitmire, Gilliam, Crawford, Hewitt, Yow, Hixon, Ballentine, Gagnon and Brewer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 11-7-70 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE STATE AUDITOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; BY AMENDING SECTION 1-3-240, RELATING TO REMOVAL OF OFFICERS BY THE GOVERNOR, SO AS TO ADD THE STATE AUDITOR; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 11-7-10 RELATING TO THE SELECTION OF THE STATE AUDITOR.

Rep. W. NEWTON proposed the following Amendment No. 6 to H. 3430 (LC-3430.SA0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding appropriately numbered SECTIONS to read:

SECTION X. Section 15-38-15 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 15-38-15. (A) In an action to recover damages resulting from personal injury, wrongful death, or damage to property or to recover damages for economic loss or for noneconomic loss such as mental distress, loss of enjoyment, pain, suffering, loss of reputation, or loss of companionship resulting from tortious conduct, if indivisible damages are determined to be proximately caused by more than one ~~defendant~~tortfeasor, joint and several liability does not apply to any defendant whose conduct is determined to be less than fifty percent of the total fault for the indivisible damages as compared with the total of: (i) the fault of all the defendants and tortfeasors; and (ii) the fault (comparative negligence), if any, of plaintiff. A defendant whose conduct is determined to be less than fifty percent of the total fault shall only be liable for that percentage of the indivisible damages determined by the jury or trier of fact.

(B) Apportionment of percentages of fault among defendants and tortfeasors is to be determined as specified in subsection (C).

(C) The jury, or the court if there is no jury, shall:

(1) specify the amount of damages;

(2) determine the percentage of fault, if any, of plaintiff ~~and the amount of recoverable damages~~ under applicable rules concerning

“comparative negligence”; and

(3) upon a motion by at least one defendant, where there is a verdict under items (1) and (2) above for damages ~~against two or more defendants~~ for the same indivisible injury, death, or damage to property, specify in a separate verdict under the procedures described at subitem (b) below the percentage of liability that proximately caused the indivisible injury, death, damage to property, or economic loss from tortious conduct, as determined by item (1) above, that is attributable to each defendant and tortfeasor whose actions are a proximate cause of the indivisible injury, death, or damage to property. In determining the percentage attributable to each defendant and tortfeasor, any fault of the plaintiff, as determined by item (2) above, will be included so that the total of the percentages of fault attributed to the plaintiff and to the defendants and tortfeasors must be one hundred percent. In calculating the percentage of fault attributable to each defendant, inclusion of any percentage of fault of the plaintiff (as determined in item (2) above) shall not reduce the amount of plaintiff's recoverable damages (as determined under item (2) above).

(a) For this purpose, the court may determine that two or more persons are to be treated as a single party. Such treatment must be used where two or more defendants acted in concert or where, by reason of agency, employment, or other legal relationship, a defendant is vicariously responsible for the conduct of another defendant.

(b) After the initial verdict awarding damages is entered and before the special verdict on percentages of liability is rendered, the parties shall be allowed oral argument, with the length of such argument subject to the discretion of the trial judge, on the determination of the percentage attributable to each defendant and tortfeasor. However, no additional evidence shall be allowed.

(D) A defendant shall retain the right to assert that another potential tortfeasor, whether or not a party, contributed to the alleged injury or damages and/or may be liable for any or all of the damages alleged by any other party.

(E) Notwithstanding the application of this section, setoff from any settlement received from any potential tortfeasor not placed on the verdict form prior to the verdict shall be applied in proportion to each defendant's percentage of liability as determined pursuant to subsection (C).

(F) ~~This section does~~ The provisions of subsection (A) do not apply to a defendant whose conduct is determined to be wilful, wanton, reckless, ~~grossly negligent~~, or intentional or conduct involving the ~~use~~,

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~~sale, or possession of alcohol or the~~ illegal or illicit use, sale, or possession of drugs, and such a defendant shall be jointly and severally liable for all damages described in subsection (A).

(G) In order for the trier of fact to allocate fault to a nondefendant tortfeasor for the purpose of apportioning damages, the following requirements apply:

(1) the tortfeasor must be disclosed within one hundred eighty days of the commencement of the action or at a later time for good cause shown, and the plaintiff may add the tortfeasor as a party defendant with the amended pleading relating back to the commencement of the action;

(2) the defendant bears the burden of proof that the added tortfeasor's breach of duty was a proximate cause of the plaintiff's injuries unless the plaintiff amends his pleadings to add the tortfeasor as a party;

(3) if the plaintiff does not add the tortfeasor in a direct action, the plaintiff may challenge the addition of the tortfeasor pursuant to South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 56 and Rule 50. If those motions are denied then the tortfeasor appears on the verdict form; and

(4) notwithstanding the time requirement in item (1), a settling tortfeasor, whether or not a party, shall be added to the verdict form unless excluded by subsection (H).

(H) A nondefendant tortfeasor shall not be added to the verdict form if:

(1) the nondefendant tortfeasor is immune from liability or prohibited from suit under statute or common law or otherwise not subject to suit in this action, not including settled or released tortfeasors who were or could have been parties in the civil action;

(2) the nondefendant tortfeasor's conduct is wilful, wanton, reckless, or intentional;

(3) the defendant's liability is imputed to or based upon fault of the tortfeasor;

(4) the causes of action involve strict liability;

(5) the causes of action involve asbestos; or

(6) an action is commenced by the State, a state agency, municipality, county, local government, regional public authority, special purpose district, public utility, or any other governmental entity or political subdivision including, but not limited to, claims seeking recovery of public funds, remediation costs, or other damages arising from acts or omissions of third parties that result in harm to public health, safety, infrastructure, or the environment, other than claims involving per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

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SECTION X. Section 61-6-2220 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 61-6-2220. A person or establishment licensed to sell alcoholic liquors or liquor by the drink pursuant to this article may not knowingly sell these beverages to persons in an intoxicated condition; these sales are considered violations of the provisions thereof and subject to the penalties contained herein.

SECTION X.A. Title 61 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

CHAPTER 3

Alcohol Server Training

Section 61-3-100. For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Alcohol" means beer, wine, alcoholic liquors, or any other type of alcoholic beverage that contains any amount of alcohol and is used as a beverage for human consumption.

(2) "Alcohol server" means an individual who sells alcohol for on-premises consumption at permitted or licensed premises and may include a permittee, licensee, manager, or other employee of a permittee or licensee. "Alcohol server" does not include an individual employed or volunteering on a temporary basis for a one-time special event, such as a banquet, or at an event that has a temporary permit to sell beer, wine, or alcoholic liquors by the drink and does not include an individual transferring alcohol from one location to another as a distributor, wholesaler, or as otherwise lawfully authorized to transfer alcohol from one location to another by this title; and does not include an individual who cannot lawfully serve or deliver alcohol pursuant to Sections 61-4-90(D) and 61-6-2200.

(3) "Alcohol server certificate" means an authorization issued by the department for an individual to be employed or engaged as an alcohol server for on-premises consumption.

(4) "DBHDD" means the Department of Behavioral Health and Development Disabilities, Office of Substance Abuse.

(5) "Department" means the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

(6) "Division" means the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division.

(7) "Employee" means a person who is employed for at least ten hours a week by a permittee or a licensee.

(8) "Licensee" means a person issued a license by the department pursuant to Title 61 to sell, serve, transfer, or dispense alcoholic liquors or alcoholic liquor by the drink for on-premises consumption.

(9) "Manager" means an individual permittee, an individual

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licensee, and any person employed by a permittee or licensee who manages, directs, or controls the sale, service, transfer, or dispensing of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at the permitted or licensed premises.

(10) "Permittee" means a person issued a permit by the department pursuant to Title 61 to sell, serve, transfer, or dispense beer, wine, ale, porter, or other malted beverages for on-premises consumption.

(11) "Program" means an alcohol server training and education course and examination approved by the department with input from DBHDD and the division that is administered by authorized providers.

(12) "Provider" means an individual, partnership, corporation, or other legal entity authorized by the department that offers and administers a program.

Section 61-3-110. (A) An alcohol server or manager must complete alcohol server training and obtain an alcohol server certificate pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. If an alcohol server or manager does not have a current alcohol server certificate at the time of employment in that capacity, then the licensee or permittee must provide alcohol server training within thirty calendar days of employment. An alcohol server shall not be mentally or physically impaired or intoxicated by alcohol, drugs, or controlled substances while serving alcohol on behalf of the licensee.

(B) A permittee or licensee shall maintain at all times on its permitted or licensed premises physical or electronic copies of the alcohol server certificates for its managers and alcohol servers for the duration of employment. Copies of the alcohol server certificate must be made available, upon request, to the department, the division, or the agents and employees of each. For the purposes of enforcement of the provisions of this chapter:

(1) a permittee or licensee must also make available to the department or the division, when requested, the date a manager or alcohol server began employment in the capacity; and

(2) a permittee or licensee shall be excused for the failure to produce the alcohol server certificate if that failure is due to a provider's failure to report the successful completion of training and testing or the department's failure to issue a certificate to an applicant who has met the requirements of Section 61-3-130.

Section 61-3-120. (A)(1) The department shall approve alcohol server training programs offered by providers that are based on best evidence practice standards. The department may collaborate with DBHDD and the division to determine appropriate providers for the

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purposes of this chapter. The department shall approve or deny a program within sixty days of application by a provider. A provider may appeal a denial pursuant to Section 61-2-260 and the South Carolina Administrative Procedures Act.

(2) A provider may charge a licensee, permittee, or individual seeking training for the purpose of employment as an alcohol server or manager a fee not to exceed fifty dollars per participant.

(B) The curricula of each program must include the following subjects:

(1) state laws and regulations pertaining to:

(a) the sale and service of alcoholic beverages;

(b) the permitting and licensing of sellers of alcoholic beverages;

(c) impaired driving or driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs;

(d) liquor liability issues;

(e) the carrying of concealed weapons by authorized permit holders into businesses selling and serving alcoholic beverages; and

(f) life consequences, such as the loss of education scholarships, to minors relating to the unlawful use, transfer, or sale of alcoholic beverages;

(2) the effect that alcohol has on the body and human behavior including, but not limited to, its effect on an individual's ability to operate a motor vehicle when intoxicated;

(3) information on blood alcohol concentration and factors that change or alter blood alcohol concentration;

(4) the effect that alcohol has on an individual when taken in combination with commonly used prescription or nonprescription drugs or with illegal drugs;

(5) information on recognizing the signs of intoxication and methods for preventing intoxication;

(6) methods of recognizing problem drinkers and techniques for intervening with and refusing to serve problem drinkers;

(7) methods of identifying and refusing to serve or sell alcoholic beverages to individuals under twenty-one years of age and intoxicated individuals;

(8) methods for properly and effectively checking the identification of an individual, for identifying illegal identification, and for handling situations involving individuals who have provided illegal identification;

(9) South Carolina law enforcement information including, but

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not limited to, the most recently published official statistics on drunk driving accidents, injuries, and deaths in South Carolina; and

(10) other topics related to alcohol server education and training designated by the department, in collaboration with DBHDD and the division, to be included.

(C) The department shall approve only online designed training programs that meet each of the following criteria:

(1) a program must cover the content specified in subsection (B);

(2) the content in a program must clearly identify and focus on the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to responsibly serve alcoholic beverages and must be developed using best practices in instructional design and exam development to ensure that the program is fair and legally defensible;

(3) a program shall be offered online;

(4) online training must be at least four hours, be available in English and Spanish, and include a test;

(5) online or computer based training programs must use linear navigation that requires the completion of a module before the course proceeds to the next module, with no content omitted, be interactive, have audio for content, and include a test;

(6) training and testing must be conducted online. All tests must be monitored by an online proctor. A passing grade for a test, as provided by the program, is required; and

(7) training certificates are issued by the provider only after training is complete and a test has been passed successfully.

(D) Within ten business days after a training is completed, each provider must give to the department a report of all individuals who have successfully completed the training and testing. The provider must also maintain these records for at least five years following the end of the training program for purposes of verifying certification validity by the department or the division.

(E) The department, in collaboration with DBHDD and the division, may suspend or revoke the authorization of a provider that the department determines has violated the provisions of this chapter. If a provider's authorization is suspended or revoked, then that provider must cease operations in this State immediately and refund any money paid to it by individuals enrolled in that provider's program at the time of the suspension or revocation.

Section 61-3-130. (A)(1) The department must issue an alcohol server certificate to each applicant who completes an approved program or a recertification program and who provides other information as may

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be required by the department in an application form that is available on the department's website. An individual must apply for an alcohol server certificate within six months of completing a program. The department, if circumstances warrant the issuance of a temporary alcohol server certificate, may issue a temporary alcohol server certificate that is valid for a period of no more than thirty calendar days.

(2) The department, in collaboration with DBHDD and the division, may issue an alcohol server certificate to an individual from outside of the State who applies for an alcohol server certificate if the individual has an alcohol server certificate from a nationally recognized or comparable, state recognized alcohol server certification program that the department, DBHDD, and the division find meets or exceeds the programs offered in this State.

(B) Alcohol server certificates shall not be issued to graduates of programs that are not approved by the department.

(C) An alcohol server certificate is the property of the individual to whom it is issued and is transferrable among employers. An individual must reimburse a licensee or permittee that paid for the cost of alcohol server training if the individual leaves the employment of the licensee or permittee within six months of its issuance.

(D) Alcohol server certificates are valid for a period of three years from the date that the alcohol server certificate was issued. After the three-year period, a new or recertified alcohol server certificate must be obtained pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

(E) Upon expiration of an alcohol server certificate, the individual to whom the alcohol server certificate was issued may obtain recertification in accordance with regulations promulgated by the department.

(F) The department shall not charge a fee to issue and renew alcohol server certificates to qualifying applicants.

(G) An applicant must be deemed to be a qualifying applicant for the purpose of alcohol server certificate issuance and renewal if they have successfully completed all training and testing requirements as found in Section 61-3-120.

Section 61-3-140. The division and the department are responsible for enforcement of the provisions of this chapter. The department is responsible for bringing administrative actions for violations of the provisions of this chapter or related regulations, and those actions shall proceed according to the provisions of Section 61-2-260 and the South Carolina Administrative Procedures Act.

B.Section 61-2-60 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

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(9) regulations governing the development, implementation, education, and enforcement of responsible alcohol server training provisions.

SECTION X. Section 61-4-580(B) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(B) In addition to civil liability as provided by law, a violation of any provision of this section is a ground for the revocation or suspension of the holder's permit. A permittee or licensee who violates any provision of this section:

(1) for a first offense, shall be fined two thousand five hundred dollars by the department;

(2) for a second offense within two years of the first offense, shall have its alcohol license or permit suspended for up to fourteen days as determined by the department; and

(3) for a third offense within three years of the first offense, shall have its alcohol license or permit revoked.

SECTION X. Article 5, Chapter 4, Title 61 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 61-4-523. (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the sale of beer and wine at collegiate sporting venues pursuant to Section 61-4-520 is prohibited unless the holder of the permit:

(1) requires all sales personnel to complete mandatory alcohol server training approved by the department;

(2) utilizes internal, random checks of sales locations during an event of sufficient frequency to reasonably determine that sales procedures and identification verification procedures comply with established protocol;

(3) utilizes forensic digital identification systems, or other means acceptable to the department, to verify the authenticity of identification at the point of sale;

(4) prohibits sales of beer and wine in student sections with designated concession areas; and

(5) prohibits sales of beer and wine to customers presenting vertical identification cards.

(B) The department shall consider these preventative measures and other factors described in subsection (C) when assessing administrative penalties in the event violations of this chapter occur and may reduce any administrative penalty when the department finds the permit holder acted in good faith to prevent a violation.

(C) Notwithstanding Section 61-4-580(B), in administering the provisions of this section, the department shall develop and implement

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an alternate revenue and penalty structure for collegiate sporting venues which recognizes the unique characteristics of such venues including, but not limited to, the number of sales locations within the collegiate sporting venue, sales volume and number of patrons served per event held at such collegiate sporting venue, number of sales personnel necessary to staff sales locations within the collegiate sporting venue, and frequency of events held at such collegiate sporting venue during which sales of beer and wine occur. The department shall develop and implement the alternative revenue procedure and penalty structure for collegiate sporting venues not later than August 31, 2025. The department shall determine the seating capacity necessary for a collegiate sporting venue to be subject to the alternate revenue procedure and penalty structure.

Amend the bill further, by adding appropriately numbered SECTIONS to read:

SECTION X. Chapter 73, Title 38 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 38-73-550. (A) Due to the mandatory requirement for commercial casualty coverage contained in Section 61-2-145, the availability of affordable commercial casualty coverage, including liquor liability coverage, is found to be essential to South Carolina's hospitality industry and by South Carolina citizens.

(B) By January thirty-first of each year, the director must prepare and submit a report to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the Senate Banking and Insurance Committee, the Chairman of the House Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and the Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee regarding the status of commercial general liability and liquor liability markets, including the insurance industry's participation and profitability in the commercial general liability and the liquor liability sub-line of that market. The report shall be posted in an electronic format on the department's website within five days of its submission. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) the number of policies written in South Carolina that provide coverage by insurers for liquor liability in South Carolina, whether as a stand-alone product or as another commercial liability insurance product;

(2) the volume of earned premiums associated with the coverage provided by the insurers for liquor liability in South Carolina and written in South Carolina;

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(3) the number of claims closed with payments and the volume of those payments associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina;

(4) the number of claims open and the volume of actual reserves on those claims associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina;

(5) the volume of reserves for incurred but not reported claims associated with liquor liability coverage;

(6) the sum of subrogation and salvage associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina;

(7) the volume of combined losses as a percentage of premiums associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina and the methodology of its determination;

(8) the amount of profit as a percentage of premiums associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina and the methodology of its determination;

(9) the number of insurers participating in commercial general liability market and the liquor liability sub-line of that market;

(10) the director's conclusions as to the availability of commercial general liability and liquor liability coverage and the trends in changes in the rates for that coverage; and

(11) the director's recommendations to continue to improve the availability of insurance coverage as mandated in Section 61-2-145 and the rates associated with that coverage.

SECTION X. Section 38-90-20(A) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(A) A captive insurance company, when permitted by its articles of incorporation, articles of organization, operating agreement, or charter, may apply to the director for a license to provide any and all insurance, except workers' compensation insurance written on a direct basis, authorized by this title; including, without limitation, liquor liability insurance; however:

(1) a pure captive insurance company may not insure any risks other than those of its parent, affiliated companies, controlled unaffiliated business, risks assumed from a risk pool for the purpose of risk sharing, or a combination of them;

(2) an association captive insurance company may not insure any risks other than those of the member organizations of its association and their affiliated companies;

(3) an industrial insured captive insurance company may not insure any risks other than those of the industrial insureds that comprise

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the industrial insured group and their affiliated companies;

(4) a special purpose captive insurance company may provide insurance or reinsurance, or both, for risks as approved by the director;

(5) a captive insurance company may not provide personal motor vehicle or homeowner's insurance coverage written on a direct basis;

(6) a captive insurance company may not accept or cede reinsurance except as provided in Section 38-90-110.

(7) a captive insurance company may not issue eroding or declining liquor liability insurance coverage to any alcohol licensee or permittee in South Carolina whereby the occurrence or aggregate limits are reduced by costs or expenses arising from the insurance company's duty to defend a claim.

SECTION X. Section 61-2-145 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 61-2-145. (A) In addition to all other requirements, a person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, which remains open after five o'clock p.m. to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, is required to maintain a liquor liability insurance policy or a general liability insurance policy with a liquor liability endorsement ~~for a total coverage~~with an annual aggregate limit of at least one million dollars during the period of the biennial permit or license, unless the person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages qualifies under the terms of a liquor liability risk mitigation program pursuant to subsection (E). Failure to maintain this coverage during the entire period of the biennial permit or license constitutes grounds for suspension or revocation of the permit or license and is sufficient grounds for the department to seek an emergency revocation order as provided in Sections 12-60-1340 and 1-23-370(c). An insurance policy issued pursuant to this section must provide for minimum coverage of at least fifty percent of the total aggregate limit, per occurrence, giving rise to the claim.

(B) The department shall add this requirement to all applications and renewals for biennial permits or licenses to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, in which the permittees and licensees remain open and sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption after five o'clock p.m. Each applicant or person renewing its license or permit, to whom this requirement applies, shall provide the department with documentation of a liquor liability insurance policy or a general liability insurance policy with a liquor liability endorsement in the required amounts.

(C) Each insurer writing liquor liability insurance policies or

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general liability insurance policies with a liquor liability endorsement to a person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, in which the person so licensed or permitted remains open to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption after five o'clock p.m., must notify the department in a manner prescribed by department regulation of the lapse or termination of the liquor liability insurance policy or the general liability insurance policy with a liquor liability endorsement within thirty days of the lapse or termination.

(D) For the purposes of this section, the term "alcoholic beverages" means beer, wine, alcoholic liquors, and alcoholic liquor by the drink as defined in Chapter 4, Title 61, and Chapter 6, Title 61.

(E) A person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, which remains open after five o'clock p.m. to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, may qualify for liquor liability risk mitigation. A licensee or permittee qualifies if the licensee or permittee:

(1) stops serving alcohol by twelve o'clock a.m. for the entire policy period;

(2) has all employees who serve alcohol complete an alcohol server training course pursuant to Title 61, Chapter 3, within sixty days of employment in that capacity;

(3) has less than forty percent of its total sales deriving from alcohol sales;

(4) uses a forensic digital identification system that validates the identification of any person attempting to enter the premises between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m.; or

(5) are a nonprofit organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of United States Code, as amended, or the entity is engaging in a single event for which a Beer and Wine Special Event License or Liquor Special Event Permit is obtained.

(6) A licensee or permittee meeting the requirement of item (1) may reduce the required annual aggregate limit by two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. A licensee or permittee meeting the requirements of item (2), (3) or (4) may reduce the required annual aggregate limit by one hundred thousand dollars per item satisfied. A licensee or permittee meeting the requirements of item (5) may reduce the annual aggregate limit by five hundred thousand dollars. A licensee or permittee who has met the requirements of any combination of items (1)-(5) must receive the permitted reduction in the required annual aggregate limit for each item the licensee or permittee complies with provided a person licensed

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or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, which remains open after five o'clock p.m. to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, must at all times maintain coverage with an annual aggregate limit of at least three hundred thousand dollars during the entire period of the biennial permit or license.

(7) Insurers must establish liquor liability mitigation measures and offer reasonable premium discounts for compliance therewith that reduce the risk to the general public associated with the service of on-premises consumption of alcohol.

(F) Permittees and licensees selling alcoholic beverages [for on-premises consumption](#) at any time between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m. shall use a forensic digital identification system that validates the identification of any person attempting to enter the premises as a patron.

(G) For purposes of this section, the calculation of total sales shall include sales of alcohol sold for on-premises consumption and all food and nonalcoholic beverages sold on the premises where the alcohol is sold, including food and nonalcoholic beverages sold by third-party vendors.

SECTION X..Chapter 2, Title 61 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 61-2-147. (A) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 15-38-15, a tortfeasor charged under Section 56-5-2930, 56-5-2933, or 56-5-2945 shall appear on the jury verdict form upon motion of the defendant, provided such motion is made within one hundred eighty days of the commencement of the action or at a later time for good cause shown. The plaintiff may also add the tortfeasor charged under Section 56-5-2930, 56-5-2933, or 56-5-2945 as a party defendant with the amended pleading relating back to the commencement of the action. If a verdict is rendered against both a licensee and a defendant charged under Section 56-5-2930, 56-5-2933, or 56-5-2945, then the licensee is jointly and severally liable for fifty percent of the plaintiff's actual damages.

(B) Notwithstanding the time requirement in subsection (A), a settling tortfeasor, whether or not a party, shall be added to the verdict form.

SECTION X.If any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such holding shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining portions of this act, the General Assembly hereby declaring that it would have passed this act, and each and every section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph,

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sentence, clause, phrase, and word thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words hereof may be declared to be unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise ineffective.

Amend the bill further, by striking SECTION 26 and inserting:

SECTION 26. This act takes effect January 1, 2026, and applies only to causes of action or claims arising or accruing after January 1, 2026, and applies to all policies issued after that date, other than Section 61-4-523 which takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. W. NEWTON explained the amendment.

Rep. JORDAN spoke in favor of the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. W. NEWTON proposed the following Amendment No. 7 to H. 3430 (LC-3430.SA0002H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by deleting SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

Amend the bill further, by deleting SECTIONS 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24.

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. W. NEWTON explained the amendment.

Rep. BAMBERG spoke upon the amendment.

Rep. BAMBERG spoke upon the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. W. NEWTON proposed the following Amendment No. 8 to H. 3430 (LC-3430.AHB0014H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting words and inserting:

SECTION 1. Section 15-38-15 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 15-38-15. (A) In an action to recover damages resulting from personal injury, wrongful death, or damage to property or to

recover damages for economic loss or for noneconomic loss such as mental distress, loss of enjoyment, pain, suffering, loss of reputation, or loss of companionship resulting from tortious conduct, if indivisible damages are determined to be proximately caused by more than one ~~defendant~~tortfeasor, joint and several liability does not apply to any defendant whose conduct is determined to be less than fifty percent of the total fault for the indivisible damages as compared with the total of: (i) the fault of all the defendants and tortfeasors; and (ii) the fault (comparative negligence), if any, of plaintiff. A defendant whose conduct is determined to be less than fifty percent of the total fault shall only be liable for that percentage of the indivisible damages determined by the jury or trier of fact.

(B) Apportionment of percentages of fault among defendants and tortfeasors is to be determined as specified in subsection (C).

(C) The jury, or the court if there is no jury, shall:

(1) specify the amount of damages;

(2) determine the percentage of fault, if any, of plaintiff ~~and the amount of recoverable damages~~ under applicable rules concerning “comparative negligence”; and

(3) upon a motion by at least one defendant, where there is a verdict under items (1) and (2) above for damages ~~against two or more defendants~~ for the same indivisible injury, death, or damage to property, specify in a separate verdict under the procedures described at subitem (b) below the percentage of liability that proximately caused the indivisible injury, death, damage to property, or economic loss from tortious conduct, as determined by item (1) above, that is attributable to each defendant and tortfeasor whose actions are a proximate cause of the indivisible injury, death, or damage to property. In determining the percentage attributable to each defendant and tortfeasor, any fault of the plaintiff, as determined by item (2) above, will be included so that the total of the percentages of fault attributed to the plaintiff and to the defendants and tortfeasors must be one hundred percent. In calculating the percentage of fault attributable to each defendant, inclusion of any percentage of fault of the plaintiff (as determined in item (2) above) shall not reduce the amount of plaintiff's recoverable damages (as determined under item (2) above).

(a) For this purpose, the court may determine that two or more persons are to be treated as a single party. Such treatment must be used where two or more defendants acted in concert or where, by reason of agency, employment, or other legal relationship, a defendant is vicariously responsible for the conduct of another defendant.

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(b) After the initial verdict awarding damages is entered and before the special verdict on percentages of liability is rendered, the parties shall be allowed oral argument, with the length of such argument subject to the discretion of the trial judge, on the determination of the percentage attributable to each defendant and tortfeasor. However, no additional evidence shall be allowed.

(D) A defendant shall retain the right to assert that another potential tortfeasor, whether or not a party, contributed to the alleged injury or damages and/or may be liable for any or all of the damages alleged by any other party.

(E) Notwithstanding the application of this section, setoff from any settlement received from any potential tortfeasor not placed on the verdict form prior to the verdict shall be applied in proportion to each defendant's percentage of liability as determined pursuant to subsection (C).

(F) ~~This section does~~ The provisions of subsection (A) do not apply to a defendant whose conduct is determined to be wilful, wanton, reckless, ~~grossly negligent~~, or intentional or conduct involving the ~~use, sale, or possession of alcohol or the~~ illegal or illicit use, sale, or possession of drugs, and such a defendant shall be jointly and severally liable for all damages described in subsection (A).

(G) In order for the trier of fact to allocate fault to a nondefendant tortfeasor for the purpose of apportioning damages, the following requirements apply:

(1) the tortfeasor must be disclosed within one hundred eighty days of the commencement of the action or at a later time for good cause shown, and the plaintiff may add the tortfeasor as a party defendant with the amended pleading relating back to the commencement of the action;

(2) the defendant bears the burden of proof that the added tortfeasor's breach of duty was a proximate cause of the plaintiff's injuries unless the plaintiff amends his pleadings to add the tortfeasor as a party;

(3) if the plaintiff does not add the tortfeasor in a direct action, the plaintiff may challenge the addition of the tortfeasor pursuant to South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 56 and Rule 50. If those motions are denied then the tortfeasor appears on the verdict form; and

(4) notwithstanding the time requirement in item (1), a settling tortfeasor, whether or not a party, shall be added to the verdict form unless excluded by subsection (H).

(H) A nondefendant tortfeasor shall not be added to the verdict form if:

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(1) the nondefendant tortfeasor is immune from liability or prohibited from suit under statute or common law or otherwise not subject to suit in this action, not including settled or released tortfeasors who were or could have been parties in the civil action;

(2) the nondefendant tortfeasor's conduct is wilful, wanton, reckless, or intentional;

(3) the defendant's liability is imputed to or based upon fault of the tortfeasor;

(4) the causes of action involve strict liability;

(5) the causes of action involve asbestos; or

(6) an action is commenced by the State, a state agency, municipality, county, local government, regional public authority, special purpose district, public utility, or any other governmental entity or political subdivision including, but not limited to, claims seeking recovery of public funds, remediation costs, or other damages arising from acts or omissions of third parties that result in harm to public health, safety, infrastructure, or the environment, other than claims involving per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

SECTION 2. Section 61-6-2220 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 61-6-2220. A person or establishment licensed to sell alcoholic liquors or liquor by the drink pursuant to this article may not knowingly sell these beverages to persons in an intoxicated condition; these sales are considered violations of the provisions thereof and subject to the penalties contained herein.

SECTION 3.A. Title 61 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

CHAPTER 3

Alcohol Server Training

Section 61-3-100. For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Alcohol" means beer, wine, alcoholic liquors, or any other type of alcoholic beverage that contains any amount of alcohol and is used as a beverage for human consumption.

(2) "Alcohol server" means an individual who sells alcohol for on-premises consumption at permitted or licensed premises and may include a permittee, licensee, manager, or other employee of a permittee or licensee. "Alcohol server" does not include an individual employed or volunteering on a temporary basis for a one-time special event, such as a banquet, or at an event that has a temporary permit to sell beer, wine, or alcoholic liquors by the drink and does not include an individual transferring alcohol from one location to another as a distributor, wholesaler, or as otherwise lawfully authorized to transfer alcohol from

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one location to another by this title; and does not include an individual who cannot lawfully serve or deliver alcohol pursuant to Sections 61-4-90(D) and 61-6-2200.

(3) "Alcohol server certificate" means an authorization issued by the department for an individual to be employed or engaged as an alcohol server for on-premises consumption.

(4) "DBHDD" means the Department of Behavioral Health and Development Disabilities, Office of Substance Abuse.

(5) "Department" means the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

(6) "Division" means the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division.

(7) "Employee" means a person who is employed for at least ten hours a week by a permittee or a licensee.

(8) "Licensee" means a person issued a license by the department pursuant to Title 61 to sell, serve, transfer, or dispense alcoholic liquors or alcoholic liquor by the drink for on-premises consumption.

(9) "Manager" means an individual permittee, an individual licensee, and any person employed by a permittee or licensee who manages, directs, or controls the sale, service, transfer, or dispensing of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at the permitted or licensed premises.

(10) "Permittee" means a person issued a permit by the department pursuant to Title 61 to sell, serve, transfer, or dispense beer, wine, ale, porter, or other malted beverages for on-premises consumption.

(11) "Program" means an alcohol server training and education course and examination approved by the department with input from DBHDD and the division that is administered by authorized providers.

(12) "Provider" means an individual, partnership, corporation, or other legal entity authorized by the department that offers and administers a program.

Section 61-3-110. (A) An alcohol server or manager must complete alcohol server training and obtain an alcohol server certificate pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. If an alcohol server or manager does not have a current alcohol server certificate at the time of employment in that capacity, then the licensee or permittee must provide alcohol server training within thirty calendar days of employment. An alcohol server shall not be mentally or physically impaired or intoxicated by alcohol, drugs, or controlled substances while serving alcohol on behalf of the licensee.

(B) A permittee or licensee shall maintain at all times on its

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permitted or licensed premises physical or electronic copies of the alcohol server certificates for its managers and alcohol servers for the duration of employment. Copies of the alcohol server certificate must be made available, upon request, to the department, the division, or the agents and employees of each. For the purposes of enforcement of the provisions of this chapter:

(1) a permittee or licensee must also make available to the department or the division, when requested, the date a manager or alcohol server began employment in the capacity; and

(2) a permittee or licensee shall be excused for the failure to produce the alcohol server certificate if that failure is due to a provider's failure to report the successful completion of training and testing or the department's failure to issue a certificate to an applicant who has met the requirements of Section 61-3-130.

Section 61-3-120. (A)(1) The department shall approve alcohol server training programs offered by providers that are based on best evidence practice standards. The department may collaborate with DBHDD and the division to determine appropriate providers for the purposes of this chapter. The department shall approve or deny a program within sixty days of application by a provider. A provider may appeal a denial pursuant to Section 61-2-260 and the South Carolina Administrative Procedures Act.

(2) A provider may charge a licensee, permittee, or individual seeking training for the purpose of employment as an alcohol server or manager a fee not to exceed fifty dollars per participant.

(B) The curricula of each program must include the following subjects:

(1) state laws and regulations pertaining to:

(a) the sale and service of alcoholic beverages;

(b) the permitting and licensing of sellers of alcoholic beverages;

(c) impaired driving or driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs;

(d) liquor liability issues;

(e) the carrying of concealed weapons by authorized permit holders into businesses selling and serving alcoholic beverages; and

(f) life consequences, such as the loss of education scholarships, to minors relating to the unlawful use, transfer, or sale of alcoholic beverages;

(2) the effect that alcohol has on the body and human behavior including, but not limited to, its effect on an individual's ability to

operate a motor vehicle when intoxicated;

(3) information on blood alcohol concentration and factors that change or alter blood alcohol concentration;

(4) the effect that alcohol has on an individual when taken in combination with commonly used prescription or nonprescription drugs or with illegal drugs;

(5) information on recognizing the signs of intoxication and methods for preventing intoxication;

(6) methods of recognizing problem drinkers and techniques for intervening with and refusing to serve problem drinkers;

(7) methods of identifying and refusing to serve or sell alcoholic beverages to individuals under twenty-one years of age and intoxicated individuals;

(8) methods for properly and effectively checking the identification of an individual, for identifying illegal identification, and for handling situations involving individuals who have provided illegal identification;

(9) South Carolina law enforcement information including, but not limited to, the most recently published official statistics on drunk driving accidents, injuries, and deaths in South Carolina; and

(10) other topics related to alcohol server education and training designated by the department, in collaboration with DBHDD and the division, to be included.

(C) The department shall approve only online designed training programs that meet each of the following criteria:

(1) a program must cover the content specified in subsection (B);

(2) the content in a program must clearly identify and focus on the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to responsibly serve alcoholic beverages and must be developed using best practices in instructional design and exam development to ensure that the program is fair and legally defensible;

(3) a program shall be offered online;

(4) online training must be at least four hours, be available in English and Spanish, and include a test;

(5) online or computer based training programs must use linear navigation that requires the completion of a module before the course proceeds to the next module, with no content omitted, be interactive, have audio for content, and include a test;

(6) training and testing must be conducted online. All tests must be monitored by an online proctor. A passing grade for a test, as provided by the program, is required; and

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(7) training certificates are issued by the provider only after training is complete and a test has been passed successfully.

(D) Within ten business days after a training is completed, each provider must give to the department a report of all individuals who have successfully completed the training and testing. The provider must also maintain these records for at least five years following the end of the training program for purposes of verifying certification validity by the department or the division.

(E) The department, in collaboration with DBHDD and the division, may suspend or revoke the authorization of a provider that the department determines has violated the provisions of this chapter. If a provider's authorization is suspended or revoked, then that provider must cease operations in this State immediately and refund any money paid to it by individuals enrolled in that provider's program at the time of the suspension or revocation.

Section 61-3-130. (A)(1) The department must issue an alcohol server certificate to each applicant who completes an approved program or a recertification program and who provides other information as may be required by the department in an application form that is available on the department's website. An individual must apply for an alcohol server certificate within six months of completing a program. The department, if circumstances warrant the issuance of a temporary alcohol server certificate, may issue a temporary alcohol server certificate that is valid for a period of no more than thirty calendar days.

(2) The department, in collaboration with DBHDD and the division, may issue an alcohol server certificate to an individual from outside of the State who applies for an alcohol server certificate if the individual has an alcohol server certificate from a nationally recognized or comparable, state recognized alcohol server certification program that the department, DBHDD, and the division find meets or exceeds the programs offered in this State.

(B) Alcohol server certificates shall not be issued to graduates of programs that are not approved by the department.

(C) An alcohol server certificate is the property of the individual to whom it is issued and is transferrable among employers. An individual must reimburse a licensee or permittee that paid for the cost of alcohol server training if the individual leaves the employment of the licensee or permittee within six months of its issuance.

(D) Alcohol server certificates are valid for a period of three years from the date that the alcohol server certificate was issued. After the three-year period, a new or recertified alcohol server certificate must be

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obtained pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

(E) Upon expiration of an alcohol server certificate, the individual to whom the alcohol server certificate was issued may obtain recertification in accordance with regulations promulgated by the department.

(F) The department shall not charge a fee to issue and renew alcohol server certificates to qualifying applicants.

(G) An applicant must be deemed to be a qualifying applicant for the purpose of alcohol server certificate issuance and renewal if they have successfully completed all training and testing requirements as found in Section 61-3-120.

Section 61-3-140. The division and the department are responsible for enforcement of the provisions of this chapter. The department is responsible for bringing administrative actions for violations of the provisions of this chapter or related regulations, and those actions shall proceed according to the provisions of Section 61-2-260 and the South Carolina Administrative Procedures Act.

B. Section 61-2-60 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

(9) regulations governing the development, implementation, education, and enforcement of responsible alcohol server training provisions.

SECTION 4. Section 61-4-580(B) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(B) In addition to civil liability as provided by law, a violation of any provision of this section is a ground for the revocation or suspension of the holder's permit. A permittee or licensee who violates any provision of this section:

(1) for a first offense, shall be fined two thousand five hundred dollars by the department;

(2) for a second offense within two years of the first offense, shall have its alcohol license or permit suspended for up to fourteen days as determined by the department; and

(3) for a third offense within three years of the first offense, shall have its alcohol license or permit revoked.

SECTION 5. Article 5, Chapter 4, Title 61 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 61-4-523. (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the sale of beer and wine at collegiate sporting venues pursuant to Section 61-4-520 is prohibited unless the holder of the permit:

(1) requires all sales personnel to complete mandatory alcohol server training approved by the department;

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(2) utilizes internal, random checks of sales locations during an event of sufficient frequency to reasonably determine that sales procedures and identification verification procedures comply with established protocol;

(3) utilizes forensic digital identification systems, or other means acceptable to the department, to verify the authenticity of identification at the point of sale;

(4) prohibits sales of beer and wine in student sections with designated concession areas; and

(5) prohibits sales of beer and wine to customers presenting vertical identification cards.

(B) The department shall consider these preventative measures and other factors described in subsection (C) when assessing administrative penalties in the event violations of this chapter occur and may reduce any administrative penalty when the department finds the permit holder acted in good faith to prevent a violation.

(C) Notwithstanding Section 61-4-580(B), in administering the provisions of this section, the department shall develop and implement an alternate revenue and penalty structure for collegiate sporting venues which recognizes the unique characteristics of such venues including, but not limited to, the number of sales locations within the collegiate sporting venue, sales volume and number of patrons served per event held at such collegiate sporting venue, number of sales personnel necessary to staff sales locations within the collegiate sporting venue, and frequency of events held at such collegiate sporting venue during which sales of beer and wine occur. The department shall develop and implement the alternative revenue procedure and penalty structure for collegiate sporting venues not later than August 31, 2025. The department shall determine the seating capacity necessary for a collegiate sporting venue to be subject to the alternate revenue procedure and penalty structure.

SECTION 6. Chapter 73, Title 38 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 38-73-550. (A) Due to the mandatory requirement for commercial casualty coverage contained in Section 61-2-145, the availability of affordable commercial casualty coverage, including liquor liability coverage, is found to be essential to South Carolina's hospitality industry and by South Carolina citizens.

(B) By January thirty-first of each year, the director must prepare and submit a report to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the Senate Banking and

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Insurance Committee, the Chairman of the House Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and the Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee regarding the status of commercial general liability and liquor liability markets, including the insurance industry's participation and profitability in the commercial general liability and the liquor liability sub-line of that market. The report shall be posted in an electronic format on the department's website within five days of its submission. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) the number of policies written in South Carolina that provide coverage by insurers for liquor liability in South Carolina, whether as a stand-alone product or as another commercial liability insurance product;

(2) the volume of earned premiums associated with the coverage provided by the insurers for liquor liability in South Carolina and written in South Carolina;

(3) the number of claims closed with payments and the volume of those payments associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina;

(4) the number of claims open and the volume of actual reserves on those claims associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina;

(5) the volume of reserves for incurred but not reported claims associated with liquor liability coverage;

(6) the sum of subrogation and salvage associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina;

(7) the volume of combined losses as a percentage of premiums associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina and the methodology of its determination;

(8) the amount of profit as a percentage of premiums associated with liquor liability coverage written in South Carolina and the methodology of its determination;

(9) the number of insurers participating in commercial general liability market and the liquor liability sub-line of that market;

(10) the director's conclusions as to the availability of commercial general liability and liquor liability coverage and the trends in changes in the rates for that coverage; and

(11) the director's recommendations to continue to improve the availability of insurance coverage as mandated in Section 61-2-145 and the rates associated with that coverage.

SECTION 7. Section 38-90-20(A) of the S.C. Code is amended to

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read:

(A) A captive insurance company, when permitted by its articles of incorporation, articles of organization, operating agreement, or charter, may apply to the director for a license to provide any and all insurance, except workers' compensation insurance written on a direct basis, authorized by this title; including, without limitation, liquor liability insurance; however:

(1) a pure captive insurance company may not insure any risks other than those of its parent, affiliated companies, controlled unaffiliated business, risks assumed from a risk pool for the purpose of risk sharing, or a combination of them;

(2) an association captive insurance company may not insure any risks other than those of the member organizations of its association and their affiliated companies;

(3) an industrial insured captive insurance company may not insure any risks other than those of the industrial insureds that comprise the industrial insured group and their affiliated companies;

(4) a special purpose captive insurance company may provide insurance or reinsurance, or both, for risks as approved by the director;

(5) a captive insurance company may not provide personal motor vehicle or homeowner's insurance coverage written on a direct basis;

(6) a captive insurance company may not accept or cede reinsurance except as provided in Section 38-90-110.

(7) a captive insurance company may not issue eroding or declining liquor liability insurance coverage to any alcohol licensee or permittee in South Carolina whereby the occurrence or aggregate limits are reduced by costs or expenses arising from the insurance company's duty to defend a claim.

SECTION 8. Section 61-2-145 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 61-2-145. (A) In addition to all other requirements, a person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, which remains open after five o'clock p.m. to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, is required to maintain a liquor liability insurance policy or a general liability insurance policy with a liquor liability endorsement ~~for a total coverage~~with an annual aggregate limit of at least one million dollars during the period of the biennial permit or license, unless the person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages qualifies under the terms of a liquor liability risk mitigation program pursuant to subsection (E). Failure to maintain this coverage during the entire period of the biennial permit or license constitutes grounds for suspension or

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revocation of the permit or license and is sufficient grounds for the department to seek an emergency revocation order as provided in Sections 12-60-1340 and 1-23-370(c). An insurance policy issued pursuant to this section must provide for minimum coverage of at least fifty percent of the total aggregate limit, per occurrence, giving rise to the claim.

(B) The department shall add this requirement to all applications and renewals for biennial permits or licenses to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, in which the permittees and licensees remain open and sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption after five o'clock p.m. Each applicant or person renewing its license or permit, to whom this requirement applies, shall provide the department with documentation of a liquor liability insurance policy or a general liability insurance policy with a liquor liability endorsement in the required amounts.

(C) Each insurer writing liquor liability insurance policies or general liability insurance policies with a liquor liability endorsement to a person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, in which the person so licensed or permitted remains open to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption after five o'clock p.m., must notify the department in a manner prescribed by department regulation of the lapse or termination of the liquor liability insurance policy or the general liability insurance policy with a liquor liability endorsement within thirty days of the lapse or termination.

(D) For the purposes of this section, the term "alcoholic beverages" means beer, wine, alcoholic liquors, and alcoholic liquor by the drink as defined in Chapter 4, Title 61, and Chapter 6, Title 61.

(E) A person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, which remains open after five o'clock p.m. to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, may qualify for liquor liability risk mitigation. A licensee or permittee qualifies if the licensee or permittee:

_____ (1) stops serving alcohol by twelve o'clock a.m for the entire policy period;

_____ (2) has all employees who serve alcohol complete an alcohol server training course pursuant to Title 61, Chapter 3, within sixty days of employment in that capacity;

_____ (3) has less than forty percent of its total sales deriving from alcohol sales;

_____ (4) uses a forensic digital identification system that validates the

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identification of any person attempting to enter the premises between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m.; or

(5) are a nonprofit organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of United States Code, as amended, or the entity is engaging in a single event for which a Beer and Wine Special Event License or Liquor Special Event Permit is obtained.

(6) A licensee or permittee meeting the requirement of item (1) may reduce the required annual aggregate limit by two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. A licensee or permittee meeting the requirements of item (2), (3) or (4) may reduce the required annual aggregate limit by one hundred thousand dollars per item satisfied. A licensee or permittee meeting the requirements of item (5) may reduce the annual aggregate limit by five hundred thousand dollars. A licensee or permittee who has met the requirements of any combination of items (1)-(5) must receive the permitted reduction in the required annual aggregate limit for each item the licensee or permittee complies with provided a person licensed or permitted to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, which remains open after five o'clock p.m. to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, must at all times maintain coverage with an annual aggregate limit of at least three hundred thousand dollars during the entire period of the biennial permit or license.

(7) Insurers must establish liquor liability mitigation measures and offer reasonable premium discounts for compliance therewith that reduce the risk to the general public associated with the service of on-premises consumption of alcohol.

(F) Permittees and licensees selling alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at any time between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m. shall use a forensic digital identification system that validates the identification of any person attempting to enter the premises as a patron.

(G) For purposes of this section, the calculation of total sales shall include sales of alcohol sold for on-premises consumption and all food and nonalcoholic beverages sold on the premises where the alcohol is sold, including food and nonalcoholic beverages sold by third-party vendors.

SECTION 9. Chapter 2, Title 61 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 61-2-147. (A) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 15-38-15, a tortfeasor charged under Section 56-5-2930, 56-5-2933, or 56-5-2945 shall appear on the jury verdict form upon motion of the defendant, provided such motion is made within one hundred eighty days

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of the commencement of the action or at a later time for good cause shown. The plaintiff may also add the tortfeasor charged under Section 56-5-2930, 56-5-2933, or 56-5-2945 as a party defendant with the amended pleading relating back to the commencement of the action. If a verdict is rendered against both a licensee and a defendant charged under Section 56-5-2930, 56-5-2933, or 56-5-2945, then the licensee is jointly and severally liable for fifty percent of the plaintiff's actual damages.

(B) Notwithstanding the time requirement in subsection (A), a settling tortfeasor, whether or not a party, shall be added to the verdict form.

SECTION 10. If any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such holding shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of the remaining portions of this act, the General Assembly hereby declaring that it would have passed this act, and each and every section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, and word thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases, or words hereof may be declared to be unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise ineffective.

SECTION 11. This act takes effect January 1, 2026, and applies only to causes of action or claims arising or accruing after January 1, 2026, and applies to all policies issued after that date, other than Section 61-4-523 which takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. W. NEWTON explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The Senate Amendments were amended, and the Bill was ordered returned to the Senate.

H. 4025--SENATE AMENDMENTS AMENDED AND RETURNED TO THE SENATE

Debate was resumed on the following Bill, the pending question being the consideration of Senate amendments:

H. 4025 -- Ways and Means Committee: A BILL TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS AND TO PROVIDE REVENUES TO MEET THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR

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THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025, TO REGULATE THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 3A Passed By The House (Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\4025C056.CC. DG25.DOCX), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (GP: Workforce Development Stipends) In the current fiscal year, from the funds appropriated to the Department of Social Services and the Department of Employment and Workforce, the two departments shall collaborate to operate a statewide pilot program that offers workforce development childcare stipends to unemployed parents or caregivers seeking employment while the parent or caregiver is attending a job interview. Credits may be used for children under the age of twelve years. Participating childcare centers must ensure sufficient capacity to offer as-needed access to the childcare center's services for the eligible children of unemployed parents or caregivers engaged in job interviews. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. HEWITT raised the Point of Order that Amendment No. 3A was not germane and violated Rule 5.3.B.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON argued contra.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 4A Passed By The House (Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C021.JN. SA25.DOCX), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 590, after line 36, by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () H270 University of South Carolina
 Anne Frank House \$500,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. BALLENTINE spoke upon the amendment.

ACTING SPEAKER BANNISTER IN CHAIR

Rep. BALLENTINE moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 85; Nays 26

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bannister	Beach	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Chumley
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartnett	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Huff
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	King
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Rivers	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Teeple	Terribile

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Vaughan	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--85

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Atkinson	Bauer
Bernstein	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Dillard	Garvin	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Henderson-Myers
Hosey	Howard	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kirby	Luck
McDaniel	Reese	Rose
Rutherford	Spann-Wilder	Waters
Wetmore	Williams	

Total--26

So, the amendment was tabled.

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on Amendment No. 4A. If I had been present, I would have voted to table the amendment.

Rep. Craig Gagnon

SPEAKER IN CHAIR

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 6A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C044.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 188.22(B), page 589, after line 12,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Children's Trust \$250,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

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Rep. WHITMIRE spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CROMER moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 83; Nays 27

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bannister	Beach	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Huff	J. E. Johnson
Jordan	Kilmartin	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Rivers	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Bamberg	Bauer	Bernstein
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Dillard
Garvin	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Henderson-Myers	Hosey
J. L. Johnson	Jones	King
Kirby	Luck	McDaniel
J. Moore	Reese	Rose
Rutherford	Spann-Wilder	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Williams

Total--27

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 7A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C045.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 188.22(B), page 589, after line 31,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Change SC Pilot Project \$500,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 81; Nays 29

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bannister	Beach	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Calhoon	Chapman

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Chumley	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Guest	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Huff
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	Kilmartin
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--81

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bamberg	Bauer
Bernstein	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Dillard	Garvin	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Henderson-Myers
Hosey	J. L. Johnson	Jones
King	Kirby	Luck
McDaniel	J. Moore	Reese
Rivers	Rose	Rutherford
Spann-Wilder	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Williams	

Total--29

So, the amendment was tabled.

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Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 8A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C046.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 188.22(B), page 586, after line 26,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () *Military Child Education Coalition*

\$182,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. WHITMIRE moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 79; Nays 29

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilreath	Guest
Haddon	Hardee	Harris
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Huff	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Kilmartin	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan

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Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Terribile
Vaughan	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--79

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bamberg	Bauer
Bernstein	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Dillard	Garvin	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kirby	Luck
McDaniel	J. Moore	Reese
Rose	Rutherford	Spann-Wilder
Teeple	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Williams	

Total--29

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 9A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C047.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 188.22(B), page 590, after line 36,
by adding an appropriately numbered item to read:

/ H030- Commission on Higher Education

Riley Institute Furman University- SCALE
Afterschool Program
\$400,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. BALLENTINE moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 79; Nays 25

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilreath
Guest	Haddon	Hager
Harris	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Huff	J. E. Johnson
Jordan	Kilmartin	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCrary
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--79

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bamberg	Bauer
Bernstein	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Garvin	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Henderson-Myers	Hosey
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kirby
Luck	McDaniel	J. Moore
Reese	Rose	Rutherford
Spann-Wilder	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore		

Total--25

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 10A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C048.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 188.22(B), page 590, after line 36,
by adding an appropriately numbered item to read:

/ () St. George Rosenwald School- Children's Museum \$213,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. WHITMIRE moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 77; Nays 28

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Chapman	Chumley
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Duncan

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Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilreath	Guest
Haddon	Hardee	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Huff
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	Kilmartin
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Terribile	Vaughan	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--77

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bauer	Bernstein
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Dillard
Garvin	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Hager	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	J. L. Johnson
Jones	King	Kirby
Luck	McDaniel	J. Moore
Reese	Rose	Rutherford
Spann-Wilder	Teeple	Waters
Wetmore		

Total--28

So, the amendment was tabled.

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STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on Amendment No. 10A. If I had been present, I would have voted to table the amendment.

Rep. Craig Gagnon

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 11A Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C049.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 188.22(B), page 590, after line 36, by adding an appropriately numbered item to read:

/ () Town of Neeses- Neeses Museum
\$400,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT IN CHAIR

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON continued speaking.

Rep. WHITMIRE moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 81; Nays 19

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Haddon

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Hager	Hardee	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Huff
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	Kilmartin
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--81

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bauer	Bernstein
Cobb-Hunter	Garvin	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kirby	Luck
Rutherford	Spann-Wilder	Waters
Williams		

Total--19

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 12A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C038.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 34,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () EMS Closet \$50,000/

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 80; Nays 22

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Gatch
Gibson	Gilreath	Guest
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Huff	J. E. Johnson
Jordan	Kilmartin	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--80

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bauer	Bernstein
Cobb-Hunter	Dillard	Garvin
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Hartnett	Henderson-Myers	Hosey
Howard	J. L. Johnson	Kirby
Luck	J. Moore	Reese
Spann-Wilder	Waters	Wetmore
Williams		

Total--22

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 13A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C039.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 34,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Greenville Prisma Health Sickle Cell

\$500,000/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 76; Nays 19

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Beach
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chumley	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis

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Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Harris	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Huff
Jordan	Kilmartin	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Robbins	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Terrible
Vaughan	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--76

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bauer	Bernstein
Cobb-Hunter	Dillard	Garvin
Gilliard	Grant	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	J. L. Johnson
Kirby	Luck	Spann-Wilder
Teeple	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore		

Total--19

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 14A
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(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C040.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
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Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 34, by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Hope Health Inc. - Men's Health Center

\$500,000/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 80; Nays 21

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Chumley
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilreath
Guest	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Huff
Jordan	Kilmartin	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Robbins	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
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Terrible	Vaughan	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--80

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bauer	Bernstein
Cobb-Hunter	Dillard	Garvin
Gilliard	Grant	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	Howard
J. L. Johnson	Kirby	Luck
J. Moore	Spann-Wilder	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Williams

Total--21

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 16A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C042.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 34,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () *Pet Helpers Adoption Center – County Stray Funding*
\$50,000/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 78; Nays 21

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilreath	Guest
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Huff	Jordan
Kilmartin	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Terrible	Vaughan
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--78

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Bauer	Bernstein
Cobb-Hunter	Garvin	Gilliard
Grant	Hartnett	Henderson-Myers
Hosey	Howard	J. L. Johnson
Kirby	Landing	Luck
Spann-Wilder	Teeple	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Williams

Total--21

So, the amendment was tabled.

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Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 17A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C043.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 34,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () SmokeFree SC \$500,000/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 19A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C024.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () ALS Association-ALS Care Services

\$500,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 20A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C025.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Anderson County-Domestic Abuse Services Support

\$100,000 /

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 75; Nays 19

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Beach
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Collins	B. L. Cox
Cromer	Davis	Duncan
Edgerton	Forrest	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Huff	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Kilmartin	Landing	Lawson
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--75

Those who voted in the negative are:

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Bauer	Bernstein	Cobb-Hunter
Frank	Garvin	Gilliard
Grant	Hartnett	Henderson-Myers
Hosey	Howard	J. L. Johnson
Kirby	Luck	J. Moore
Rose	Spann-Wilder	Waters
Williams		

Total--19

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 21A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C027.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired SC – Adjustment
to Blindness
\$350,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 22A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C028.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () • Boys and Girls Club at Teen Jackson Center – Make it a
Conversation Program
\$95,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. WHITMIRE moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 78; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Huff	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Kilmartin	Landing	Lawson
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Rankin	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total—78

Those who voted in the negative are:

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Bauer	Bernstein	Cobb-Hunter
Dillard	Frank	Garvin
Gilliard	Grant	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	Jones
Kirby	Luck	J. Moore
Spann-Wilder	Waters	Williams

Total--18

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 23A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C029.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () *Cancer Association of Anderson – Center for Hope and Healing*
\$500,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 24A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C030.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () • *Children’s Trust of South Carolina - Home Visiting Program*
\$250,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

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Rep. WHITMIRE moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 26A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C032.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () • •Community Wellness Outreach – Substance Abuse Treatment
\$300,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 27A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C033.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () • House of Champions – Facility Renovation Project
\$250,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 29A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C035.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,

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by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () *Our Place of Hope – Mental Health Support Program*
\$175,000/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 80; Nays 20

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Bannister	Beach
Bowers	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Huff	J. E. Johnson
Jordan	Kilmartin	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	White

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Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--80

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bauer	Bernstein	Cobb-Hunter
Dillard	Garvin	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kirby	Luck
J. Moore	Rose	Spann-Wilder
Waters	Williams	

Total--20

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 30A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C036.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 588, after line 30,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Pace Center for Girls – Research Counseling Services
\$500,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 32A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C050.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 188.22(B), page 589, after line 4, by
adding an appropriately numbered item to read:

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/ () Osprey Village- Amenities Center

\$500,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 80; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Bannister	Beach
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Govan	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Huff
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	Kilmartin
Landing	Lawson	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	White

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Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--80

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bamberg	Bauer	Bernstein
Cobb-Hunter	Dillard	Garvin
Gilliard	Grant	Henderson-Myers
Hosey	J. L. Johnson	Luck
Rose	Rutherford	Sessions
Spann-Wilder	Waters	Williams

Total--18

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 35A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C053.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 590, after line 36,
by adding an appropriately numbered item to read:

/ () J200 Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services
RIZE Prevention-Teen Drug Prevention
Program \$300,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 80; Nays 21

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Bannister	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain

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Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartz	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Kilmartin	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Robbins	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--80

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bamberg	Bauer	Cobb-Hunter
Dillard	Garvin	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Hartnett
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Luck	McDaniel
J. Moore	Rose	Rutherford
Spann-Wilder	Waters	Williams

Total--21

So, the amendment was tabled.

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Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 36A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C054.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 590, after line 36,
by adding an appropriately numbered item to read:

/ () J200 Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

The Courage Center-Midlands Recovery

Community Expansion and Operation

\$300,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 79; Nays 21

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Beach	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilreath	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hardee	Harris
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Huff	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Kilmartin	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Magnuson	Martin	May
McCabe	McCravy	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore

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Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--79

Those who voted in the negative are:

Anderson	Bamberg	Bauer
Bernstein	Dillard	Garvin
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Hartnett	Henderson-Myers	Hosey
Luck	McDaniel	J. Moore
Rivers	Rose	Rutherford
Spann-Wilder	Waters	Wetmore

Total--21

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 37A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C067.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 589, after line 10,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () *Bethany Christian Services – Post Adoption*

\$150,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

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Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 38A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C059.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 589, after line 10,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Feed the City \$100,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 39A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C060.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 589, after line 10,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Florence Crittenton Programs of SC – Housing and Support
Services \$400,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. J.L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 40A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\4025C061.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was
tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118,
STATEWIDE REVENUE, proviso 118.22(B), page 589, after line 10,
by adding an appropriately numbered subitem to read:

/ () Fostering the Family – Foster Support Programs
\$100,000 /

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. MOSS proposed the following Amendment No. 55A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\005\h2-town of pacolet.docx), which was rejected:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 40, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 388, after line 20, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (AGING: grant forgiveness) The senior center permanent improvement grant awarded to the town of pacolet in 2013 for the renovation of pacolet mill cloth room is hereby forgiven./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. MOSS explained the amendment.

Rep. CROMER demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 45; Nays 50

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bowers	Brittain	Calhoon
Caskey	Chumley	Collins
Crawford	Davis	Gatch
Gilliam	Guest	Hager
Hardee	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McGinnis	Mitchell	T. Moore
Moss	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pope	Rutherford	Schuessler

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Sessions	Taylor	Wetmore
Whitmire	Wooten	Yow

Total--45

Those who voted in the negative are:

Anderson	Bamberg	Bauer
Beach	Bradley	Burns
Bustos	Chapman	Cobb-Hunter
Cromer	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gilreath
Govan	Grant	Haddon
Harris	Hartnett	Henderson-Myers
Hosey	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Kilmartin	Landing	May
McCabe	J. Moore	Morgan
Neese	Oremus	Pace
Reese	Rivers	Rose
Sanders	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Weeks	White
Wickensimer	Willis	

Total--50

So, the amendment was rejected.

Rep. COLLINS proposed the following Amendment No. 56A Passed
By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\004\h2-teacher loan
program.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1a,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EIA, page 329, after line 34, by
adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. COLLINS explained the amendment.

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Rep. CROMER demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 96; Nays 7

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Bailey	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Huff
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jordan
Kilmartin	Kirby	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	Yow

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Cromer	Edgerton
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
White		

Total--7

So, the amendment was adopted.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I inadvertently voted on Amendment No. 56A to H. 4025, but I meant to abstain due to a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my abstention noted for the record in the House Journal.

Rep. Leon Stavrinakis

RECORD FOR VOTING

I inadvertently voted on Amendment No. 56A to H. 4025, but I meant to abstain due to a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my abstention noted for the record in the House Journal.

Rep. Case Brittain

RECORD FOR VOTING

I inadvertently voted on Amendment No. 56A to H. 4025, but I meant to abstain due to a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my abstention noted for the record in the House Journal.

Rep. Jeff Johnson

RECORD FOR VOTING

I inadvertently voted on Amendment No. 56A to H. 4025, but I meant to abstain due to a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my abstention noted for the record in the House Journal.

Rep. G. Murrell Smith

SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* IN CHAIR

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 58A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\h2-delete coordinating council funds.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 50, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, page 399, paragraph 50.3, lines 27

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- 31, by deleting the proviso in its entirety.
Renumber sections to conform.
Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 90; Nays 20

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pedalino	Pope
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore

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Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--90

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Duncan	Edgerton
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Huff	J. L. Johnson	Kilmartin
Magnuson	May	McCabe
McCravy	Morgan	Pace
Terribile	White	

Total--20

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. Cromer proposed the following Amendment No. 61A Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\4025C058.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 82, DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, page 454, after line 30, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (DMV: OFFENDER) IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHALL EXPEND FUNDS AND CHARGE A FEE TO PRINT, IN RED, ON THE LICENSE OR SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARD THE WORDS "SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR" FOR ANY PERSON WHO HAS BEEN ADJUDICATED AS SUCH PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 48 OF TITLE 44 OF THE S.C. CODE, AND THE WORDS "SEX OFFENDER" IF THE PERSON HAS NOT BEEN ADJUDICATED AS A SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR BUT IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 23.

ALL PERSONS IDENTIFIED AS A SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR OR A SEX OFFENDER PURSUANT TO THIS PROVISIO HAS THIRTY DAYS FROM BEING ADJUDICATED OR RELEASED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO TURN IN HIS CURRENT DRIVER'S LICENSE OR SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION

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CARD AND OBTAIN A NEW DRIVER'S LICENSE OR SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARD WITH THE REQUIRED IDENTIFIER./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. BAMBERG raised the Point of Order that Amendment No. 61A was not germane under Rule 5.3.B.

Rep. CROMER argued contra.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* sustained the Point of Order.

Reps. CROMER and EDGERTON proposed the following Amendment No. 62A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\008\h2-mandatory meal plan.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: MANDATORY MEAL PLANS) NO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL BE PERMITTED TO REQUIRE ANY STUDENT TO PURCHASE A MEAL PLAN AS A CONDITION OF ENROLLMENT OR FOR RESIDING IN ON-CAMPUS HOUSING./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. BALLENTINE raised the Rule 5.3.B Point of Order that Amendment No. 62A was not germane.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* sustained the Point of Order.

Reps. CROMER and EDGERTON proposed the following Amendment No. 63A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\008\h2-mandatory housing.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

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/(GP: MANDATORY HOUSING) NO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT ANY POLICY THAT REQUIRES ANY STUDENT TO LIVE IN ON-CAMPUS HOUSING AS A CONDITION OF ENROLLMENT. IF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION FINDS THAT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IS IN VIOLATION OF THIS PROVISIO, THEN THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION MUST THEN WITHHOLD TEN PERCENT OF ALL STATE PAYMENTS TO THE PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION UNTIL THE POLICY IS FIXED./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. BALLENTINE raised the Rule 5.3.B Point of Order that Amendment No. 63A was not germane.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 64A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\008\h2-campus free speech (may 2025).docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: CAMPUS FREE SPEECH) NO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT A POLICY THAT RESTRICTS SPEECH BY CREATING "FREE SPEECH ZONES" OR OTHER DESIGNATED AREAS OF CAMPUS OUTSIDE OF WHICH EXPRESSIVE ACTIVITIES ARE PROHIBITED. OUTDOOR AREAS OF CAMPUSES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE SHALL BE DEEMED PUBLIC FORUMS FOR THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY. PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY MAINTAIN AND ENFORCE REASONABLE TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER RESTRICTIONS ONLY WHEN SUCH RESTRICTIONS ARE NARROWLY TAILORED IN SERVICE OF A SIGNIFICANT INSTITUTIONAL INTEREST, EMPLOY CLEAR, PUBLISHED, CONTENT- AND VIEWPOINT-NEUTRAL CRITERIA, AND PROVIDE

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FOR AMPLE ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF EXPRESSION. ANY SUCH RESTRICTIONS SHALL ALLOW FOR MEMBERS OF THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY TO SPONTANEOUSLY AND CONTEMPORANEOUSLY ASSEMBLE AND DISTRIBUTE LITERATURE. ANY PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT ADOPTS OR ENFORCES A POLICY IN VIOLATION OF THIS PROVISION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A TEN PERCENT REDUCTION IN ITS STATE FUNDING, TO BE WITHHELD BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION UNTIL THE INSTITUTION DEMONSTRATES COMPLIANCE BY REPEALING OR AMENDING THE POLICY TO ALIGN WITH THIS PROVISION. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. BALLENTINE raised the Rule 5.3.B Point of Order that Amendment No. 64A was not germane.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 66A (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\h2 magistrate training.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 410, paragraph 57.13, line 25, by striking: / (4) sensitivity to gender bias and cultural, racial, and sexual issues; /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. BAUER raised Rule 5.3.B Point of Order that Amendment No. 66A was not germane.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* overruled the Point of Order.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY moved to table the amendment.

Rep. MAGNUSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

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Yeas 83; Nays 25

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kirby	Landing	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pope	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--83

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Duncan	Edgerton
Frank	Gilliam	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lawson	Magnuson	May
McCabe	McCravy	Morgan

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Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Rankin	Sanders	Terribile
White		

Total--25

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. RUTHERFORD proposed the following Amendment No. 69A
Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\4025C057.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was
ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 338, after line 14, by adding an
appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

*/ (Ticket Delivery) In the current fiscal year, the Commission may
expend funds to contract with courier service businesses to deliver
lottery tickets to purchasers of lottery tickets. /*

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. RUTHERFORD explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. WHITE raised the Rule 5.3.B Point of Order that the
Amendment No. 69A was not germane.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. WOOTEN proposed the following Amendment No. 71A Passed
By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\005\h2-executive
protective unit.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 62, STATE LAW
ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, page 424, after line 22, by adding an
appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/ (SLED: Executive protection unit) (A) of the funds appropriated
in part 1A, section 63, The State Law Enforcement Division ("SLED").
for Counter-Terrorism, SLED is authorized to maintain an Executive
Protection Unit and shall employ personnel to provide protective
services and security to the Governor, the Governor's immediate family,
the Lieutenant Governor, the Governor-elect, the Governor-elect's*

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immediate family, and the Lieutenant Governor-elect.

(B) Upon request and subject to the approval of the Chief of SLED based on a demonstrable need or a specifically identified threat to the individual to be protected, SLED is further authorized to utilize the funds appropriated to provide protective services for, or to support existing security details assigned to, current or former public officials or employees of this State or of the United States, visiting governors from other States and their immediate families, visiting legislative leadership from other States, and officials or dignitaries of the governments of foreign countries who are visiting this State.

(C) The Department of Public Safety and the Department of Natural Resources are authorized to designate or assign appropriate personnel, equipment, funds, or other resources to support the provision of protective services authorized herein as requested by and in consultation with the Chief of SLED. If SLED requests the assistance of other law enforcement agencies in the State of South Carolina, those officers are authorized to provide such assistance as may be requested by the Chief of SLED.

(D) Law enforcement officers assigned to any security detail or who provide the protective services authorized herein shall only perform services related to the provision of security to the executives and shall not provide any unrelated law enforcement action during the assignment absent specific directive from the Chief of SLED to address an identified threat to the public, which shall only be considered after all executive(s) have been safeguarded. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. WOOTEN explained the amendment.

Rep. LOWE spoke in favor of the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 102; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bannister	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Cobb-Hunter

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Collins	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Govan
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Huff
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kilmartin	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
May	McCabe	McCravy
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
J. Moore	Morgan	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rose	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terrible	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--102

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

The amendment was then adopted.

**AMENDMENT NO. 56A--MOTION TO RECONSIDER
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Rep. MAGNUSON moved to reconsider the vote whereby Amendment No. 56A was adopted.

Rep. HIOTT moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Rep. MAGNUSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 92; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Bailey
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	J. Moore
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pedalino	Pope	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire

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Wickensimer
Wooten

Williams
Yow

Willis

Total--92

Those who voted in the negative are:

Burns
Edgerton
Harris
Magnuson
McCravy
Rankin

Chumley
Frank
Huff
May
Morgan
Terrible

Cromer
Gilreath
Kilmartin
McCabe
Pace
White

Total--18

So, the motion to reconsider was tabled.

Reps. COBB-HUNTER and B.J. COX proposed the following Amendment No. 74A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\h2-housing habitat collaboration.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 42, HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, page 389, proviso 42.6, lines 22-24, by striking the proviso in its entirety and inserting / 42.6. (HFDA: Collaboration) In accordance with the South Carolina Housing Trust Fund Act (§31-13-450), the South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority may collaborate with Habitat for Humanity South Carolina by providing up to \$5,000,000 in existing funds for the current fiscal year. These funds shall be used to increase and preserve affordable homeownership across the state through a lump-sum block grant allocated to Habitat for Humanity South Carolina. Habitat for Humanity South Carolina shall administer the affordable housing proposal and oversee programmatic obligations to local Habitat for Humanity affiliates. The two entities shall establish a memorandum of understanding no later than July 31 which outlines the distribution and maintenance of funds and eligible project activities, including a program implementation stipend. Of the \$5,000,000, Habitat for Humanity South Carolina shall not allocate more than twenty percent of the total annual funding in any single county during the fiscal year, in accordance with §31-13-445. An annual report summarizing the expenditure of funds shall be submitted to the Governor and the Chairmen of the Senate

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Finance and House Ways and Means committees no later than June 30.

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. COBB-HUNTER explained the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 95; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kilmartin	Kirby	Landing
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	Morgan	Neese
B. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Pope	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire

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Wickensimer
Wooten

Williams
Yow

Willis

Total--95

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 75A to Passed
By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\h2-sc urge.docx),
which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL
PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately
numbered proviso to read:

1 (GP: S.C. Urgent Reduction of Government Expenditure) (A) All
state agencies and entities receiving General Fund appropriations in
part 1A of this act shall develop and submit a plan for a General Fund
base budget reduction of ten percent to the Governor, the Chairman of
the Senate Finance Committee, and the Chairman of the House Ways by
December 31st, 2025.

(B) The Department of Administration shall design and promulgate a
uniform reporting template for agencies to submit their plan, which must
include, at a minimum, the ability to itemize proposed reductions. The
template shall include the following information for each proposed
itemized reduction based on the Budget Data section of the Annual
Accountability Report:

(1) State Funded Program No.;

(2) State Funded Program Title;

(3) Description of State Funded Program;

(4) General Fund amount to be reduced;

(5) Number of State-Funded Employees to be terminated and.

(6) Estimated Impact of the Reduction.

(C) The plan may not include the reduction of staff salaries other than
the agency head.

(D) For the purposes of this provision, "entities" includes any
subdivisions of the state with a unique section in Part 1A of this act
including, but not limited to, Section 91 – Legislative Department.

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Section 57 – Judicial Department and institutions of higher education./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. STAVRINAKIS raised the Rule 5.3.B Point of Order that Amendment No. 75A was not germane.

Rep. PACE argued contra.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* overruled the Point of Order.

Rep. PACE continued speaking.

Rep. BANNISTER spoke against the amendment.

Rep. BANNISTER moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 87; Nays 22

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis

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Montgomery	J. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--87

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Duncan	Edgerton
Frank	Gilreath	Haddon
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Magnuson	May	McCabe
McCravy	Morgan	Oremus
Pace	Teeple	Terrible
White		

Total--22

So, the amendment was tabled.

AMENDMENT NO. 55A--RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED

Rep. COBB-HUNTER moved to reconsider the vote whereby Amendment No. 55A was rejected, which was agreed to.

Rep. MOSS proposed the following Amendment No. 55A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\005\h2-town of pacolet.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 40, DEPARTMENT ON AGING, page 388, after line 20, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (AGING: grant forgiveness) The senior center permanent improvement grant awarded to the town of pacolet in 2013 for the

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renovation of pacolet mill cloth room is hereby forgiven./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 61; Nays 36

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bowers	Brittain	Caskey
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Davis	Dillard	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gilliard
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Hager	Hardee	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Jones
Jordan	Kirby	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	Montgomery
T. Moore	Moss	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pope	Rivers
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
Sessions	Spann-Wilder	Taylor
Teeple	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Williams
Wooten		

Total--61

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bauer	Beach	Bradley
Bustos	Chapman	Chumley
Cromer	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gilliam	Gilreath	Harris
Hartnett	Huff	J. L. Johnson

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Kilmartin	Landing	Magnuson
May	McCabe	McGinnis
J. Moore	Morgan	Neese
Oremus	Pace	Rankin
Reese	Sanders	Terribile
Vaughan	White	Wickensimer

Total--36

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 76A to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\vacant fte removal.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (GP: Vacant FTE Removal) A) Not later than ninety days after the passage of the General Appropriations Act or by October 1, whichever comes later, the Executive Budget Office (EBO), in consultation with the State Division of Human Resources (DSHR) shall eliminate all vacant FTE positions in each agency which have been vacant for at least 12 months or longer. Agencies shall consult with EBO and DSHR to identify which vacant positions should be eliminated, but the eliminations must align to the funding source for the identified vacant FTE positions. EBO must report the number of FTEs deleted by agency, program, and funding source to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee by December 1st of the current fiscal year.

B) For each State FTE removed, the agency's base budget shall be reduced by the real appropriated amount for the FTE, which shall be transferred into an Income Tax Relief Trust Fund that shall be established and administered by the State Treasurer's Office. The State Treasurer shall maintain these funds in a separate, interest-bearing account, and no funds deposited may be expended or transferred without authorization by the General Assembly. Any interest accrued shall be retained by the fund for the purpose of income tax relief.

C) The following agencies are exempt from this provision:

(1) Section 59 – Office of the Attorney General;

(2) Section 60 – S.C. Commission on Prosecution Coordination;

(3) Section 61 – Commission on Indigent Defense;

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- (4) Section 100 – Office of the Adjutant General;
- (5) Section 101 – Department of Veterans' Affairs;
- (6) Section 5 – Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School;
- (7) Section 6 – School for the Deaf and the Blind;
- (8) Section 35 – Department of Mental Health;
- (9) Section 36 – Department of Disabilities and Special Needs;
- (10) Section - Department of Public Safety
- (11) Section 38 – Department of Social Services;
- (12) Section 41 – Department of Children's Advocacy;
- (13) Section 7 – Governor's School for Agriculture at John De La

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- (14) Section 65 – Department of Corrections;
- (15) Section 66 – Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon

Services;

- (16) Section 67 – Department of Juvenile Justice;
- (17) Section 64 – Law Enforcement Training Council;
- (18) Section 84 – Department of Transportation; and,
- (19) Section 23 – Medical University of South Carolina./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY moved to table the amendment.

Rep. MAGNUSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 80; Nays 27

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Guest

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Haddon	Hager	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Jones
Jordan	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	Mitchell	Montgomery
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--80

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Duncan	Edgerton
Frank	Gibson	Gilreath
Harris	Hartnett	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Kilmartin	Landing
Lawson	Magnuson	May
McCabe	McCravy	McGinnis
Morgan	Oremus	Pace
Teeple	Terrible	White

Total--27

So, the amendment was tabled.

Reps. PACE, CROMER and MAGNUSON proposed the following
Amendment No. 77A Passed By The House

(Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\011\h2-forfeit carry
forward.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL
PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately

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numbered proviso to read:

/ (GP: Forfeiture of Carry Forward Funds) (A) There is created an Income Tax Relief Trust Fund that shall be established and administered by the State Treasurer's Office. The State Treasurer shall maintain these funds in a separate, interest-bearing account, and no funds deposited may be expended or transferred without authorization by the General Assembly. Any interest accrued shall be retained by the fund for the purpose of income tax relief.

(B) Any state agency or any public institution of higher learning that receives state funding in the annual general appropriations act shall forfeit its authorized carry forward funds to the Income Tax Relief Trust Fund unless a certified letter is submitted by the designated authority, agency head, university president, and/or department director to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the State Treasurer affirming that:

(1) No funds will be expended, directly or indirectly, on any initiative, policy, training, program, office, or activity in violation of the terms outlined in the President's Executive Order Number 14173 on Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity; and

(2) Each state agency and public institution of higher learning is in full compliance with both the referenced Executive Order and the DEI legislation passed by the South Carolina House of Representatives.

(C) Failure to submit this certification shall result in the full forfeiture of all carry forward funds into the Income Tax Relief Trust Fund.

(D) Every citizen of South Carolina shall have a private right of action against any state agency or public university that fails to comply with the provisions of this proviso. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds that an agency or university is in violation of the certification requirements, the following shall apply:

(1) All carryforward funds held by the violating agency or university shall be forfeited and redirected as follows:

(i) first, to pay all reasonable attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the prevailing plaintiff;

(ii) second, a reward of ten thousand dollars shall be paid to the prevailing plaintiff as a "finder's fee"; and

(iii) third, the remaining balance shall be transferred to the Income Tax Relief Trust Fund for the benefit of South Carolina taxpayers.

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(E) This proviso shall be liberally construed in favor of transparency, accountability, and the enforcement of DEI compliance as set forth in this proviso. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. CASKEY raised the Rule 5.3.B Point of Order that Amendment No. 77A was not germane.

Rep. PACE argued contra.

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. CASKEY proposed the following Amendment No. 78A to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\aid fire districts planning.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 553, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: Aid to Fire District Planning) The S.C. Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office in conjunction with the Executive Budget Office shall develop and submit options, including details, to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee by December 31st, 2025, to address the Aid to Fire District open-ended status as defined by the Office of the Comptroller General. The options shall ensure that all collections are disbursed to fire districts as prescribed by statute, other sources of collections are not altered, and disbursements are not reliant upon budgetary surpluses. The Department of Insurance and the Office of the State Treasurer shall cooperate with any requests for information from the S.C. Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CASKEY explained the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 104; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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Alexander	Anderson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bannister	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Burns
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilreath
Grant	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Holman	Hosey	Howard
Huff	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Kilmartin	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	J. Moore	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--104

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

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The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. GARVIN proposed the following Amendment No. 79A Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\4025C060.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 91, LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, page 466, after line 11, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (LEG: Gars) In the current fiscal year, the Retirement System for Members of the General Assembly is open to new members, at the election of such member. New members may purchase eligible credited service earned at a previous time as provided by law. The Senate and the House of Representatives may use funds appropriated and authorized in this act to make the necessary employer contributions for each of its members making the election. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. GARVIN explained the amendment.

Rep. GARVIN moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. BRADLEY proposed the following Amendment No. 80A Passed By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\4025C061.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 566, after line 27, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (GP: AI appropriations) Any agency or institution that is appropriated or authorized funds for artificial intelligence shall coordinate their efforts and budget requests with the Department of Administration's AI Center of Excellence. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. BRADLEY explained the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

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Yeas 108; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartnett	Hartz
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Holman	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
May	McCabe	McCravy
McDaniel	McGinnis	Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

So, the amendment was adopted.

Rep. WILLIAMS proposed the following Amendment No. 81A
Passed By The House

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redirect.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 35,
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, page 377, after line 26, by
adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (DMH: Pee Dee Mental Health Center) The funds appropriated in
Act 84 of 2023, section 118.19(76)(H) to the Department of Mental
Health for Pee Dee Mental Health Center shall be redirected to Families
Engagement Programs, Inc. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. WILLIAMS explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment which was agreed to
by a division vote of 64 to 19.

Rep. KIRBY proposed the following Amendment No. 84A Passed
By The House

(Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\4025C059.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was
adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 63,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, beginning on page 425, by
striking paragraph 63.8 and inserting:

/ 63.8. (DPS: School Safety Program) (A) Funds appropriated for
the School Safety Program and School Resource Officers in this act shall
be utilized by the department for the purpose of hiring certified law
enforcement officers to serve as a school resource officer for school
districts, including the South Carolina Public Charter School District and
schools authorized by an institution of higher learning, that otherwise
would lack the adequate resources to hire their own school resource
officers. In making determinations of eligibility, the department shall

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use the most recent index of taxpaying ability as the district's indicator of ability to pay with districts of the lowest index of taxpaying ability receiving priority consideration. Districts, in collaboration with a local law enforcement agency of its choosing, must apply for funding through the department. In making awards the department shall provide funding directly to the local law enforcement agency to pay for the cost of the law enforcement officer that shall serve as a full time school resource officer. Unexpended funds may be carried forward and expended for salaries, equipment, and training. School district superintendents shall provide to the department at the end of each quarter the number of full and part-time school resource officers that currently serve schools in their respective districts, regardless of the fund sources supporting those officers.

(B) Notwithstanding subsection (A), if local law enforcement agencies are unable to assign certified law enforcement officers to a school district, then a school district may employ private security to serve as school safety officers. No district may employ more than one private security safety officer per school. Upon written certification from such local law enforcement agencies stating the inability to assign certified law enforcement officers to serve as school resource officers, the district may apply for and receive funding through the department.

(C) The Department of Education shall transfer any fund balance to the Department of Public Safety by August 15.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. KIRBY explained the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 104; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Cobb-Hunter	B. L. Cox
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson

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Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Holman	Hosey	Howard
Huff	J. E. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kilmartin	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	B. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--104

Those who voted in the negative are:

Total--0

The amendment was then adopted.

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Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 18A Passed
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Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 535, proviso 117.137, line 3-7, by amending the proviso to read:

/117.137. (GP: COVID-19 Proof of Vaccination Restriction – ~~Institutions~~) For the current fiscal year, state-supported institutions of higher learning and public K-12 school districts and public charter school districts shall not directly or indirectly receive funds appropriated or authorized through the general appropriations act ~~shall be restricted from requiring~~ if they require proof of COVID-19 vaccination for any student as a condition of enrollment, attendance at on campus instruction, or residence on campus. In instances of off-campus learning events for which third party program providers require proof of vaccination, the third party requirements shall apply. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. MAGNUSON explained the amendment.

Rep. MAGNUSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 39; Nays 60

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Beach	Bowers	Burns
Chapman	Chumley	Cromer
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gibson
Gilreath	Hager	Harris
Hartnett	Herbkersman	Huff
Kilmartin	Landing	Lawson
Long	Magnuson	May
McCabe	McCravy	Montgomery
Morgan	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Rankin	Sanders
Sessions	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	White	Willis

Total--39

Those who voted in the negative are:

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Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Brittain	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gilliam	Gilliard	Govan
Guest	Hardee	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jordan	Kirby
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McGinnis	J. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Waters
Wetmore	Whitmire	Williams

Total--60

So, the amendment was rejected.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

Rep. GATCH proposed the following Amendment No. 70A (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\summerville redirect.docx), which was rejected:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 29, STATE MUSEUM COMMISSION, page 357, after line 2, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(MUSM: Town of Summerville) The \$1,000,000 appropriated in Act No. 226 of 2024, by proviso 118.20(72)(a) to the Children's Museum of the Lowcountry shall be redirected to the Town of Summerville for economic development./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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Rep. GATCH explained the amendment.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 43; Nays 48

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Ballentine
Bamberg	Bannister	Brewer
Brittain	Caskey	Chapman
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Davis	Gagnon	Gatch
Hager	Hardee	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Holman	Hosey
Jones	Jordan	Kirby
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	Montgomery	J. Moore
T. Moore	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Schuessler
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Vaughan
Whitmire		

Total--43

Those who voted in the negative are:

Atkinson	Bailey	Bauer
Beach	Bernstein	Bowers
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Cromer	Edgerton	Forrest
Garvin	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Harris
Hartnett	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Hiott	Huff	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Kilmartin	Landing
Magnuson	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Morgan
Oremus	Rankin	Rose
Rutherford	Sessions	Spann-Wilder

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Williams

Total--48

So, the amendment was rejected.

The Senate Amendments were amended, and the Bill was ordered returned to the Senate.

**ABSTENTION FROM VOTING
H. 4025--General Appropriations Bill**

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

Agency Name

62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.

Rep. Paula Calhoon
District No. 87

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

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Agency Name

62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. Brandon Cox's Signature
District No. 92

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

Agency Name

42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is [check applicable reasons(s)]:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.

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- b. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-740(C)** because of representation of a client before a particular agency or commission by me or an individual or business with whom I am associated within the past year.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. Henderson-Myers' Signature
District No. 31

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

Agency Name

62	STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
63	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is [check applicable reasons(s)]:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.
- b. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-740(C)** because of representation of a client before a particular agency or commission by me or an individual or business with whom I am associated within the past year.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered

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into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. Jason Luck
District No. 54

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

Agency Name

62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.
- b. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-740(C)** because of representation of a client before a particular agency or commission by me or an individual or business with whom I am associated within the past year.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. David Martin's Signature
District No.26

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

Agency Name

**42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY**

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.
- b. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-740(C)** because of representation of a client before a particular agency or commission by me or an individual or business with whom I am associated within the past year.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. JA Moore's Signature
District No. 15

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

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Agency Name

**42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY**

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is [check applicable reasons(s)]:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.
- b. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-740(C)** because of representation of a client before a particular agency or commission by me or an individual or business with whom I am associated within the past year.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. Wm. Weston Newton's Signature
District No. 120

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

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Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

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42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.

Rep. Jordan Pace's Signature
District No. 117

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

Agency Name

62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.
- b. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-740(C)** because of representation of a client before a particular agency or commission by me or an individual or business with whom I am associated within the past year.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general

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appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. Robby Robbins
District No. 97

In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 4025, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or amendment because of a potential conflict of interest and wish to have my recusal noted for the record in the House Journal of this date:

Part IA and Part IB Section Numbers

Agency Name

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AUTHORITY	
62	STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is:

- a. A potential conflict of interest may exist in that an economic interest of myself, a family member, or an individual or business with which I am associated may be affected in violation of **S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B)**.
- b. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-740(C)** because of representation of a client before a particular agency or commission by me or an individual or business with whom I am associated within the past year.
- c. A potential conflict may exist under **S.C. Code § 8-13-745(B) and (C)** because a contract for goods or services may be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, department, or other entity funded through the general appropriation bill by myself, an individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. G. Murrell Smith Jr.
District No. 67

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**H. 4026--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN AND
BILL ENROLLED**

The Senate Amendments to the following Joint Resolution were taken up for consideration:

H. 4026 -- Ways and Means Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025, AND TO ALLOW UNEXPENDED FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS AND EXPENDED FOR THE SAME PURPOSES.

Rep. BANNISTER explained the Senate Amendments.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 110; Nays 3

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilreath	Govan
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
Huff	J. E. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kirby	Landing

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Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	J. Moore	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Spann-Wilder
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--110

Those who voted in the negative are:

Gilliard	J. L. Johnson	Kilmartin
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Total--3

The Senate Amendments were agreed to, and the Joint Resolution having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification.

H. 3862--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3862 -- Reps. Erickson, G. M. Smith, Gilliam, Mitchell and M. M. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-50, RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PREFERENCES, SO AS TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR ADMISSIONS PREFERENCES, AND TO ADD PROVISIONS CONCERNING STUDENTS WITH MULTIPLE ENROLLMENT PREFERENCES.

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Rep. B. NEWTON moved to adjourn debate upon the Senate Amendments until Wednesday, May 7, which was agreed to.

H. 3127--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3127 -- Reps. Robbins, Wooten, Lawson, Pope, Chapman, Pedalino, W. Newton, Sanders, Duncan, Hixon, Taylor, Gagnon, Oremus, Hartz, Davis, M. M. Smith, Vaughan, Williams, Erickson, Bradley, Cromer and Gilreath: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-750, RELATING TO FAILURE TO STOP MOTOR VEHICLES WHEN SIGNALLED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT WHERE CERTAIN AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCES OCCUR THE OFFENDER IS GUILTY OF A FELONY, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES.

Rep. B. NEWTON moved to adjourn debate upon the Senate Amendments until Wednesday, May 7, which was agreed to.

H. 3276--DEBATE ADJOURNED

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3276 -- Reps. Pope, Robbins, Chapman, W. Newton, Taylor, Forrest, McGinnis, Calhoon, Bernstein, Wooten, Hart, Erickson, Bradley, Ligon, Anderson, Schuessler, Hixon, M. M. Smith and Hartnett: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA HANDS-FREE AND DISTRACTED DRIVING ACT"; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-3890, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL USE OF A WIRELESS ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICE WHILE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO USE A WIRELESS MOBILE ELECTRONIC DEVICE, TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF DISTRACTED DRIVING AND PROVIDE PENALTIES, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL REVISIONS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-720, RELATING TO POINTS THAT MAY BE ASSESSED AGAINST A PERSON'S DRIVING RECORD FOR MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVING VIOLATIONS, SO AS TO

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PROVIDE THAT A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE OF DISTRACTED DRIVING IS A TWO-POINT VIOLATION.

Rep. B. NEWTON moved to adjourn debate upon the Senate Amendments until Wednesday, May 7, which was agreed to.

H. 4444--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 4444 -- Rep. Forrest: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME A ONE-MILE PORTION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 378 FROM THE TRAFFIC CIRCLE IN SALUDA COUNTY WEST TOWARDS THE TOWN OF SALUDA "FIREMAN LANDON 'CALE' BODIE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

H. 4445--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 4445 -- Rep. Forrest: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 391 IN SALUDA COUNTY FROM THE LEXINGTON/SALUDA COUNTY LINE EXTENDING ONE MILE NORTH THE "FIRE CHIEF CHAD SATCHEL MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

H. 4446--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 4446 -- Reps. Anderson and Hewitt: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF POWELL ROAD IN GEORGETOWN COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH SINGLETON ROAD TO HAROLD ROAD "DEPUTY SHERIFF LEROY GASQUE SR. MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" AND ERECT

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APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

H. 4216--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 4216 -- Reps. Bannister, Pope, G. M. Smith, B. Newton, Hiott, Murphy, Moss, Crawford, Bradley, Hager, M. M. Smith, Bustos, Landing, Lowe, Lawson, B. J. Cox, Jordan, Brittain, Forrest, Neese, Vaughan, Long, Montgomery, Davis, Sessions, Mitchell, Gatch, Herbkersman, Schuessler, Caskey, T. Moore, Hewitt, Erickson, Bowers, Gilliam, Teeple, Guest, Bailey, Guffey, Holman, Yow, Ballentine, Martin, Calhoon, Taylor, Hartnett, Robbins, Willis, B. L. Cox, Ligon, Brewer, Gagnon, Hartz, Hixon and Pedalino: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-510, RELATING TO INCOME TAX RATES FOR INDIVIDUALS, ESTATES, AND TRUSTS, SO AS TO REDUCE THE INCOME TAX RATE TO A FLAT 3.99 PERCENT AND TO SET FORTH STANDARDS FOR ADDITIONAL REDUCTIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-50, RELATING TO INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTIONS SPECIFICALLY NOT ADOPTED BY THE STATE, SO AS TO NOT ADOPT THE FEDERAL STANDARD DEDUCTION AND ITEMIZED DEDUCTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-1140, RELATING TO INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS, SO AS TO ALLOW FOR A SOUTH CAROLINA INCOME ADJUSTED DEDUCTION (SCIAD); BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-4910, RELATING TO PERSONS REQUIRED TO FILE A TAX RETURN, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE TO THE CALCULATION; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-1720, RELATING TO ADJUSTMENTS TO THE TAXABLE INCOME OF NONRESIDENT INDIVIDUALS, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE.

The Committee on Ways and Means proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 4216 (LC-4216.DG0010H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking SECTION 1 and inserting:

SECTION X. Section 12-6-510(C) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

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(C)(1) Notwithstanding subsections (A) and (B), for taxable years beginning after 2025, a tax is imposed on the South Carolina taxable income of individuals, estates, and trusts and any other entity except those taxed or exempted from taxation under Sections 12-6-530 through 12-6-550 computed at the following rates with the income brackets indexed in accordance with Section 12-6-520:

_____ (2)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of item (1), beginning with Tax Year 2027 and each year thereafter, the top marginal income tax rate set forth in item (1) must be decreased if individual income tax revenues collected pursuant to this chapter, minus amounts credited to the Trust Fund for Tax Relief, are projected to increase by at least five percent in the fiscal year that begins during the tax year in comparison to projected individual income tax revenues collected pursuant to this chapter, minus amounts credited to the Trust Fund for Tax Relief, for the current fiscal year. The reduction required by this item shall continue until the top marginal income tax rate equals 1.99 percent.

_____ (b) Beginning with the first tax year after the reduction required by subitem (a) is fully complete, the 1.99 percent must be decreased in the same manner as provided in subitem (a) until the income tax rate equals zero percent. Additionally, once the reduction required by subitem (a) is fully complete, notwithstanding item (1), the 1.99%, or further reduced rate, shall apply to all South Carolina taxable income.

_____ (c) The Board of Economic Advisors shall make the determination regarding income tax projections beginning with the initial forecast required pursuant to Section 11-9-1130.

_____ (3) If the five percent threshold set forth in item (2) is met, the income tax rate shall be permanently and cumulatively reduced by a percentage that the Board of Economic Advisors projects to result in a reduction in individual income tax revenues collected pursuant to this chapter equal to two hundred million dollars in the fiscal year that begins during the tax year. However, if the five percent threshold set forth in item (2) is met and is not projected to result in increased collections of at least two hundred million dollars in the fiscal year that begins during the tax year, then the reduction is limited to the projected amount of increased collections. Any reduction made pursuant to this subsection must be rounded up to the nearest hundredth of a percent.

_____ (4) Upon the issuance of the initial forecast, the Executive Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, or his designee, shall notify the Department of Revenue of the projected percentage adjustment. The executive director, or his designee, shall provide similar notice if subsequent modifications to the forecast change the projected

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percentage adjustment. However, the forecast in effect on February fifteenth of the current fiscal year is the final forecast for which the percentage adjustment is determined, and no subsequent forecast modifications may have any effect on that determination.

(D) The department may prescribe tax tables consistent with the rates set pursuant to this section.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, by striking Section 12-6-50(21) and inserting:

(21) Section 63(b) through (g) relating to standard deductions and the itemized deduction and any other relevant provision of Section 63 that would otherwise allow for standard deductions and the itemized deduction which are hereby specifically not allowed or adopted.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 3, by striking Section 12-6-1140(15)(a)(i), (ii), and (iii) and inserting:

(i) ~~six~~ fifteen thousand dollars for taxpayers that file as single or married filing separately;

(ii) ~~nine~~ twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars for taxpayers that file as head of household; and

(iii) ~~twelve~~ thirty thousand dollars for taxpayers that file as married filing jointly or as a surviving spouse.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 3, by striking Section 12-6-1140(15)(b)(i), (ii), and (iii) and inserting:

(b)(i) The deduction set forth in subitem (a)(i) is subject to being reduced by a fraction whereby the numerator is the amount the taxpayer's ~~South Carolina taxable~~ federal adjusted gross income exceeds ~~thirty~~ forty thousand dollars and the denominator is ~~ten~~ fifty-five thousand.

(ii) The deduction set forth in subitem (a)(ii) is subject to being reduced by a fraction whereby the numerator is the amount the taxpayer's ~~South Carolina taxable~~ federal adjusted gross income exceeds ~~forty-five~~ sixty thousand dollars and the denominator is ~~fifteen~~ eighty-two thousand and five hundred.

(iii) The deduction set forth in subitem (a)(iii) is subject to being reduced by a fraction whereby the numerator is the amount the taxpayer's ~~South Carolina taxable~~ federal adjusted gross income exceeds ~~sixty-eighty~~ thousand dollars and the denominator is ~~twenty-one~~ hundred and ten thousand.

Amend the bill further, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

SECTION X. Section 12-6-3632 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 12-6-3632. There is allowed as a nonrefundable credit

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against the tax imposed pursuant to Section 12-6-510 on a full-year resident individual taxpayer an amount equal to one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal earned income tax credit (EITC) allowed the taxpayer pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 32, but not to exceed two hundred dollars.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. B. NEWTON explained the amendment.

Rep. B. NEWTON spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 94; Nays 19

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Atkinson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Collins	B. L. Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gatch	Gibson	Gilreath
Govan	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Huff	J. E. Johnson
Jordan	Kilmartin	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	May	McCabe
McCravy	McGinnis	Mitchell
Montgomery	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin

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Robbins	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

Total--94

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Cobb-Hunter
Dillard	Garvin	Grant
Henderson-Myers	Howard	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Luck	McDaniel
J. Moore	Reese	Rivers
Rose	Spann-Wilder	Waters
Williams		

Total--19

So, the amendment was adopted.

Rep. BANNISTER proposed the following Amendment No. 2 to H. 4216 (LC-4216.DG0019H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 12-6-510(C)(3) and inserting:

(3) If the five percent threshold set forth in item (2) is met, the income tax rate shall be permanently and cumulatively reduced by a percentage that the Board of Economic Advisors projects to result in a reduction in individual income tax revenues collected pursuant to this chapter equal to two hundred million dollars in the fiscal year that begins during the tax year or twenty-five percent of the recurring income tax revenue surplus for the fiscal year that begins during the tax year, whichever is greater. The surplus amount must be calculated in the same manner as increases in income tax collections are calculated pursuant to item (2)(a). However, if the five percent threshold set forth in item (2) is met and is not projected to result in increased collections of at least two hundred million dollars in the fiscal year that begins during the tax year, then the reduction is limited to the projected amount of increased collections. Any reduction made pursuant to this subsection must be

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rounded up to the nearest hundredth of a percent.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. B. NEWTON explained the amendment.

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Rep. B. NEWTON continued speaking.

Rep. B. NEWTON spoke in favor of the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

SPEAKER IN CHAIR

Rep. BAMBERG proposed the following Amendment No. 8 to H. 4216 (LC-4216.DG0020H), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting words and inserting:

SECTION 1. Article 5, Chapter 6, Title 12 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 12-6-511. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for tax years beginning after 2024, no tax may be imposed on the South Carolina taxable income of individuals, estates, and trusts. Any provision of law that requires the imposition or imposition-related requirements, such as filings and withholdings, are no longer effective.

SECTION 2. Sections 12-6-510, 12-6-515, 12-6-520, and 12-6-545 of the S.C. Code are repealed.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor and first applies to tax years beginning after 2025.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. BAMBERG explained the amendment.

Rep. B. NEWTON spoke against the amendment.

Rep. B. NEWTON moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. PACE spoke against the Bill.

Rep. PACE moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Tuesday, January 13.

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Rep. B. NEWTON moved to table the motion.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,
resulting as follows:

Yeas 84; Nays 24

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
B. L. Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Gatch	Gibson
Govan	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jordan	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Martin	McGinnis
Mitchell	Montgomery	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Rivers	Robbins
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Spann-Wilder	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Wetmore
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

Total--84

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Cromer	Duncan
Edgerton	Frank	Garvin

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Gilreath	Grant	Harris
Huff	Jones	Kilmartin
Luck	Magnuson	May
McCabe	J. Moore	Morgan
Pace	Reese	Rose
Terribile	Waters	White

Total--24

So, the motion to adjourn debate was tabled.

Rep. B. NEWTON spoke in favor of the Bill.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 68; Nays 46

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Atkinson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bannister	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Collins	B. L. Cox	Crawford
Davis	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Gatch	Gibson
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Martin
McGinnis	Mitchell	Montgomery
T. Moore	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan

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Whitmire	Wickensimer	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

Total--68

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Bamberg
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Cobb-Hunter	Cromer	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Frank
Garvin	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Harris	Henderson-Myers	Hosey
Howard	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Kilmartin	Kirby	Luck
Magnuson	May	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	J. Moore
Morgan	Oremus	Pace
Reese	Rivers	Rose
Rutherford	Spann-Wilder	Terrible
Waters	Wetmore	White
Williams		

Total--46

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

STATEMENT FOR THE JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on H. 4216. If I had been present, I would have voted against the Bill.

Rep. Chris Hart

RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR

Rep. FORREST moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Rep. HEWITT, from the Georgetown Delegation, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 623 -- Senator Goldfinch: A BILL TO EXEMPT GEORGETOWN COUNTY FROM CERTAIN BUILDING REQUIREMENTS AND TO ALLOW THE COUNTY TO INSTEAD ENFORCE AE STANDARDS IN GEORGETOWN COUNTY'S FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. MOSS, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 616 -- Senators Matthews and Hutto: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SC 46 FROM S-97 (EPPS AVENUE) TO I-95 IN JASPER COUNTY "MAYOR BRONCO BOSTICK HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4501 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-

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Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR RONALD W. HENDERSON, PASTOR OF MT. NEBO BAPTIST CHURCH IN SPARTANBURG, AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM UPON THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS SERVICE TO THE MT. NEBO CONGREGATION AND TO THE SPARTANBURG COMMUNITY.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4502 -- Reps. Calhoon, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS LACROSSE TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A STELLAR SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2025 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAAAA DIVISION 1 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4503 -- Reps. Harris, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CONNER BEAUDIN, A JUNIOR AT BYRNES HIGH SCHOOL, FOR A REMARKABLE WRESTLING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM FOR WINNING THE 2025 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4504 -- Reps. B. L. Cox, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson,

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Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MAY 2025 AS "ALS AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4505 -- Reps. Pedalino, McCabe, Haddon, G. M. Smith, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR AND CONGRATULATE W.R. "CODY" SIMPSON III OF CLARENDON COUNTY ON HIS RECENT APPOINTMENT BY PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP AS STATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE FARM SERVICE AGENCY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Resolution was adopted.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4506 -- Reps. McCabe, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE GILBERT HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2025 SOUTH CAROLINA REGION 4 CLASS AAAA CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4507 -- Reps. Jordan, Kirby, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Kilmartin, King, Landing, Lawson,

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The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4508 -- Reps. Frank, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE ELIZABETH ANNE SMITH OF TAYLORS ON THE OCCASION OF HER NINETIETH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

The Resolution was adopted.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 4509 -- Rep. Gilliard: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO MEMORIALIZE THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO EXPRESS A SINCERE APOLOGY TO THE VATICAN AND MEMBERS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR THE DEPICTION AND DISSEMINATION OF IMAGES OF THE PRESIDENT APPEARING DRESSED AS THE POPE.

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

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 510 -- Senator Verdin: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE APRIL 2025 AS "OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MONTH" IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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. 4510 -- Reps. Rivers, Howard, Kirby, Cobb-Hunter, Spann-Wilder, Anderson, J. E. Johnson, Henderson-Myers, Waters, Gilliard, McDaniel, Alexander, Govan, J. Moore, Bauer, Clyburn, Jones, Luck, Wetmore, Bamberg, Garvin, Bernstein, Dillard, Reese and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-51-90, RELATING TO REDEMPTION OF REAL PROPERTY, SO AS TO ALLOW FOR HEIRS TO REDEEM DECEASED OWNERS' PROPERTY IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4511 -- Rep. Wetmore: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 15-9-720,

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RELATING TO SERVICE ON UNKNOWN PARTIES BY PUBLICATION FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, SO AS TO ALLOW SERVICE BY PUBLICATION TO BE PUBLISHED IN EITHER THE PRINT OR ONLINE VERSION OF A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 62-3-801, RELATING TO NOTICE TO CREDITORS, SO AS TO ALLOW PUBLICATION ONLINE ON A CENTRALIZED WEBSITE FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA PROBATE COURT OR IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4512 -- Rep. Wooten: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 38-53-175 SO AS TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF A BOND PREMIUM, ESTABLISH A MINIMUM FEE, AND PERMIT PAYMENT AGREEMENTS IN EXCESS OF TEN PERCENT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 38-53-170, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL ACTS OF BONDSMEN OR RUNNERS, SO AS TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO LIMITATIONS AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON BOND AGREEMENTS.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4513 -- Rep. Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 7-5-35 SO AS TO REQUIRE COUNTY BOARDS OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS TO MAINTAIN CERTAIN RECORDS THAT MUST BE PROVIDED, UPON REQUEST, TO QUALIFIED ELECTORS FREE OF CHARGE; BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-870 SO AS TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN INHERENT RIGHTS OF OBSERVATION WITH REGARDS TO ELECTION PROCESSES FOR EVERY CITIZEN OF THIS STATE; BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-880 SO AS TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN INVENTORY RECORD-KEEPING PROTOCOLS AND CHAIN OF CUSTODY REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTING SYSTEM COMPONENTS AND OTHER SYSTEMS, EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, OR DEVICES USED IN ELECTION-RELATED PROCESSES; BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-1180 SO AS TO CONDUCT POSTELECTION AUDITS IN WHICH ALL VOTES CAST ARE HAND COUNTED; AND BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-1455 SO AS TO PROVIDE ACTIONS AND PROTOCOLS THAT MUST BE TAKEN WHEN THERE IS A DISCREPANCY BETWEEN POSTELECTION AUDIT

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RESULTS AND TABULATED VOTE COUNTS THAT EQUALS OR EXCEEDS A CERTAIN AMOUNT.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4514 -- Reps. Long, T. Moore, Bannister, Yow, Mitchell, J. E. Johnson, Guest, Herbkersman, Burns, Jordan, Gilliam, Taylor, Pope, Hiott, Bowers, Willis, Rankin and Haddon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 44-41-37, RELATING TO ABORTION COUNSELING FOR MINORS, SO AS TO ELIMINATE REFERENCE TO JUDICIAL BYPASS PROCEDURES; AND BY REPEALING SECTIONS 44-41-32, 44-41-33, AND 44-41-34 RELATING TO JUDICIAL BYPASS PROCEDURES FOR MINORS SEEKING ABORTIONS.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4515 -- Reps. Long, Bannister, T. Moore, Haddon, Yow, Mitchell, Taylor, W. Newton, Guest, Gilliam, Herbkersman, Rankin and Hiott: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 44-63-20, 44-63-100, 44-63-150, AND 63-3-530, ALL RELATING IN PART TO CHANGES TO CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE AMENDMENT, MODIFICATION, CORRECTION, OR OTHER CHANGES TO THE GENDER OF INDIVIDUALS AS IT APPEARS ON THE ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH, WITH EXCEPTIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 44-63-155 SO AS TO ALLOW CERTAIN CORRECTIONS TO BE MADE TO BIRTH CERTIFICATES BY FILING A COURT PETITION REQUESTING AN APPROPRIATE COURT ORDER; BY AMENDING SECTION 63-7-20, RELATING TO TERMS DEFINED IN THE CHILDREN'S CODE, SO AS TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF "CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4516 -- Rep. White: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 2-19-5, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION, SO AS TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE COMMISSION.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

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H. 4517 -- Rep. White: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 11-1-130 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT APPROPRIATIONS BILLS OR AMENDMENTS MAY NOT INCLUDE EARMARKED FUNDS DESIGNATED FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS OR ENTITIES OUTSIDE THE CORE BUDGETARY PROCESS.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 4518 -- Rep. Herbkersman: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 40-59-225 SO AS TO REQUIRE SURETY BONDS FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS, RESIDENTIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS, AND RESIDENTIAL TRADE REGISTRANTS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ACTIONS AGAINST SUCH BONDS LIABILITY LIMITATIONS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-10, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS COMMISSION, SO AS TO MODIFY COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING THE SOUTH CAROLINA RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS COMMISSION, SO AS TO REVISE DEFINITIONS OF VARIOUS LICENSEES OF THE COMMISSION, TO RENAME "RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY CONTRACTORS" AS "RESIDENTIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS," TO CREATE THE "RESIDENTIAL TRADE REGISTRANT" CATEGORY OF LICENSEES, AND TO PROVIDE OTHER NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-25, RELATING TO ROOFING CONTRACT CANCELLATION FOR INSURANCE COVERAGE DENIAL, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-30, RELATING TO LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDING AND RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY CONTRACTING, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-50, RELATING TO MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE COMMISSION, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT ROSTERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND RESIDENTIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS BE PREPARED AND DISTRIBUTED TO COUNTY CLERKS OF COURT ANNUALLY; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-105, RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, SO AS TO IMPOSE A MONETARY PENALTY ON CERTAIN VIOLATIONS; BY

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AMENDING SECTION 40-59-110, RELATING TO REVOCATIONS, SUSPENSIONS, OR RESTRICTIONS OF LICENSES FOR FINDINGS OF MISCONDUCT AND NONCOMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-140, RELATING TO DENIALS OF LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION BASED ON A PRIOR CRIMINAL RECORD, SO AS MAKE SUCH DENIALS DISCRETIONARY, TO PROVIDE NEW APPLICANTS MUST SUPPLY CERTAIN CRIMINAL BACKGROUND REPORTS FOR THEIR STATES OF RESIDENCE FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS, AND TO PROVIDE APPLICANTS SHALL BEAR THE COSTS OF SUCH BACKGROUND REPORTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-220, RELATING TO LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION FEES, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES, TO MAKE FEES DUE BIENNIALY INSTEAD OF ANNUALLY, AND TO MAKE REGISTRATION ISSUANCE MANDATORY IF THE APPLICANT ESTABLISHES QUALIFICATIONS THROUGH EXAMINATION; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-230, RELATING TO LICENSURE RENEWAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION, SO AS TO MAKE RENEWALS BIENNIAL INSTEAD OF ANNUAL, TO MAKE CERTAIN INACTIVE LICENSE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS DISCRETIONARY FOR THE BOARD, AND TO CREATE A TIERED SYSTEM OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS' LICENSES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-240, RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY CONTRACTORS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES AND REMOVE EXEMPTIONS FROM LOCAL REQUIREMENTS AND CERTAIN SURETY BOND REQUIREMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-250, RELATING TO THE CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN FACTORS INDICATING FINANCIAL STATUS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-260, RELATING TO EXCEPTIONS FOR PROJECTS BY PROPERTY OWNERS FOR PERSONAL USE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES AND REVISE THE MANDATORY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-300, RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT LOW-INCOME HOUSING USING VOLUNTEER LABOR BY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITHOUT PRESENCE OF A QUALIFIER, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-400, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING RESIDENTIAL

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BUSINESS CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED TO ENGAGE IN RESIDENTIAL HOME BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY CONTRACTING, AND HOME INSPECTING, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-410, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY CONTRACTING, AND HOME INSPECTING MUST BE PRACTICED AND OFFERED THROUGH ENTITIES HOLDING RESIDENTIAL BUSINESS CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-530, RELATING TO PERSONS EXEMPT FROM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LICENSING OF HOME INSPECTORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE SUCH EXEMPT PERSONS SHALL REGISTER WITH THE COMMISSION AND PAY RELATED FEES, AND TO SUBJECT SUCH REGISTERED EXEMPT PERSONS TO DISCIPLINE FOR VIOLATIONS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATED TO LICENSED HOME INSPECTORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-580, RELATING TO REDRESS AVAILABLE TO THE COMMISSION FOR VIOLATIONS BY LICENSEES, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES AND OTHER REMEDIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-600, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR LICENSURE VIOLATIONS BY HOME INSPECTORS, SO AS TO REVISE THE PENALTIES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 40-59-820, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO CURE CONSTRUCTION DWELLING DEFECTS ACT, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

H. 4519 -- Reps. Holman, Brewer, Neese, Yow, Mitchell, Herbkersman, Guest, M. M. Smith, B. L. Cox, Bannister, Crawford and Willis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 29 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 1 SO AS TO PROHIBIT A PUBLIC ENTITY FROM REQUIRING A PERSON TO DISCLOSE THEIR RACE ON AN APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION OR EMPLOYMENT.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4520 -- Rep. White: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 7-5-172 SO AS TO REQUIRE VOTER REGISTRATION TO INCLUDE PARTY

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AFFILIATION; BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-17 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE CONDUCTING OF CLOSED PRIMARIES IN THIS STATE; AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4521 -- Rep. Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA TRANSPARENCY IN CONSUMER LEGAL FUNDING ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 31 TO TITLE 37 SO AS TO PROMOTE CONSUMER PROTECTIONS RELATED TO CONSUMER LEGAL FUNDING TRANSACTIONS, TO ESTABLISH THAT CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS MUST BE SUBJECT TO STATE REGULATION AND SET FORTH REQUIREMENTS REGARDING DISCLOSURE, REGISTRATION, FUNDING, LIMITATIONS, AND VIOLATIONS.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4522 -- Rep. Cromer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16-15-420 SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF SEXUAL GROOMING OF A MINOR, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4523 -- Rep. Cromer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SEXUAL OFFENDER ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 56-1-150 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES MUST PLACE A SEXUAL OFFENDER IDENTIFIER ON THE DRIVERS' LICENSES OR SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS OF SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATORS AND SEX OFFENDERS, TO PROVIDE A FEE, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4524 -- Reps. Caskey, Wooten and Ballentine: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 44-7-305 SO AS TO REQUIRE NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED LIVING CENTERS TO INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN VIDEO MONITORING EQUIPMENT AT EVERY

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FACILITY ENTRANCE, EXIT, AND COMMON AREA FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTINUOUS MONITORING AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM FOR MAINTAINING RECORDED IMAGES.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

S. 102 -- Senators Gambrell and Massey: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 6-1-320, RELATING TO MILLAGE RATE INCREASE LIMITATIONS, SO AS TO ALLOW A MUNICIPALITY WITHOUT AN OPERATING MILLAGE ON JANUARY 1, 2025, OR A MUNICIPALITY THAT INCORPORATES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2025, TO IMPOSE AN OPERATING MILLAGE AND TO IMPOSE LIMITATIONS.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

S. 163 -- Senators Verdin and Leber: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 34 SO AS TO PROHIBIT A GOVERNING AUTHORITY FROM ACCEPTING OR REQUIRING PAYMENT USING CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY OR PARTICIPATING IN A TEST OF CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY; TO PERMIT INDIVIDUALS OR BUSINESSES USING DIGITAL CURRENCY FOR TRANSACTIONS; TO PROVIDE THAT DIGITAL ASSETS MAY NOT BE SINGLED OUT FOR DISPARATE TAX TREATMENT; TO PROVIDE THAT DIGITAL CURRENCY TRANSACTION MAY BE TAXED IF THE TAXATION IS THE SAME AS IF THE TRANSACTION USED UNITED STATES LEGAL TENDER; TO PROVIDE THAT DIGITAL CURRENCY OPERATIONS MAY BE NOT BE SUBJECTED TO DISPARATE ZONING TREATMENT; TO PROVIDE THAT DIGITAL ASSET MINING BUSINESS OPERATIONS SHALL NOT PLACE ANY ADDITIONAL STRESS ON THE ELECTRICAL GRID FOR WHICH THEY ARE CONNECTED AND TO PROVIDE THAT DIGITAL MINING BUSINESSES MUST PROVIDE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION UPON REQUEST; TO PROVIDE THAT THOSE ENGAGED IN DIGITAL MINING OPERATIONS DO NOT HAVE TO OBTAIN CERTAIN LICENSES AND THAT THOSE WHO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES RELATED TO DIGITAL MINING OR STAKING ARE NOT OFFERING A SECURITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE

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ATTORNEY GENERAL CAN PROSECUTE AN INDIVIDUAL WHO OR BUSINESS THAT FRAUDULENTLY CLAIM TO BE OFFERING DIGITAL ASSET MINING AS SERVICE OR STAKING AS A SERVICE; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

S. 316 -- Senator Elliott: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 1-7-95 SO AS TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES AND PROTECTIONS FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WHEN BRINGING AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION IN THE NAME OF THE STATE; BY ADDING SECTION 39-5-55 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WITH THE REMEDY OF DISGORGEMENT; AND BY ADDING SECTION 39-5-85 SO AS TO PROVIDE PRIVILEGE TO MATERIALS PREPARED OR DRAFTED WHILE INVESTIGATING POTENTIAL VIOLATIONS OF THIS ARTICLE.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

S. 439 -- Senators Peeler, Turner, Davis, Bennett, Verdin, Alexander, Grooms, Kimbrell, Johnson, Jackson, Sutton, Cromer, Climer, Adams, Zell and Young: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-37-220, RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT FOR THE EXEMPTION ON CERTAIN MANUFACTURING PROPERTY.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

Rep. HEWITT moved that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, which was agreed to.

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

RATIFICATION OF ACTS

Pursuant to an invitation the Honorable Speaker and House of Representatives appeared in the Senate Chamber on May 6, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. and the following Acts and Joint Resolutions were ratified:

(R. 26, S. 51) -- Senators Davis, Grooms, Stubbs, Massey, Garrett, Sutton, Turner, Graham, Gambrell, Zell, Johnson, Rice, Campsen, Sabb, Tedder, Fernandez, Leber, Devine, Climer, Cromer, Hutto, Young,

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Kimbrell, Matthews, Jackson, Blackmon, Adams, Hembree, Corbin, Williams, Goldfinch, Bennett, Reichenbach, Elliott, Chaplin, Verdin, Kennedy, Alexander and Walker: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE SANTEE COOPER TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO SOLICIT PROPOSALS ON UTILIZING ASSETS ASSOCIATED WITH V.C. SUMMER UNITS 2 AND 3, AND FOR CONSIDERATIONS RELATED TO A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL.

(R. 27, S. 62) -- Senators Hembree, Rice and Grooms: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-110, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING THE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND, SO AS TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-115, RELATING TO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES, SO AS PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING PRIORITY AND GENERAL APPLICATIONS, TO PROVIDE CERTAIN EXEMPTION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC EDUCATION SERVICE PROVIDERS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-120, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND, SO AS TO RECHARACTERIZE ITS CORPUS AND REVISE ITS USAGES, TO ESTABLISH A TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT FOR THE FUND AND TO PROVIDE THE QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES OF THE TRUSTEE, AND TO ESTABLISH SCHOLARSHIP ALLOCATION AMOUNTS AND ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-125, RELATING TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND PAYMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ROLE OF THE TRUSTEE IN MAKING SUCH PAYMENTS, TO PROVIDE FOR TRUSTEE PAYMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE TERMS FOR A CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE TRUSTEE'S DUTIES, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-130, RELATING TO SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY TERMINATION NOTICE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO RESTATE THE SECTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-135, RELATING TO SCHOLARSHIP PARTICIPANT NUMBER LIMITATIONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE LIMITATIONS, ENABLE INCREASES, AND REMOVE A PERIODIC PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AND USE REVIEW REQUIREMENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-140, RELATING TO EDUCATION SERVICE PROVIDER PROGRAM

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PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS, AND TO REMOVE CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-8-145, RELATING TO MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO REMOVE A PROVISION ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT TO CONTRACT WITH QUALIFIED ORGANIZATIONS FOR RELATED ASSISTANCE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-8-147 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM ON ITS INTERNET WEBSITE, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION PROCESS, AND TO PROVIDE A GRACE PERIOD FOR APPLICANTS TO CORRECT MINOR ERRORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-150, RELATING TO EDUCATION SERVICE PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO EXPAND EMPLOYEE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS, TO REVISE EMPLOYEE SURETY BOND REQUIREMENTS, TO REVISE ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS, AND TO REMOVE A PROVISION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT TO PROMULGATE RELATED REGULATIONS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-160, RELATING TO THE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND REVIEW PANEL, SO AS TO RESTATE THE SECTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-165, RELATING TO DISTRICT-LEVEL STUDENT TRANSFER POLICIES, SO AS TO REPLACE THE EXISTING LANGUAGE WITH PROVISIONS CONCERNING INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-8-170, RELATING TO AN EXEMPTION FROM HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS, SO AS TO MAKE THE PROVISION APPLICABLE TO SCHOLARSHIP AND NONSCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS, AND TO PROVIDE SUBSEQUENT TRANSFERS ARE SUBJECT TO HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE ELIGIBILITY RULES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 59-150-350, RELATING TO SCHOLARSHIPS DESIGNATED TO RECEIVE LOTTERY FUNDING, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP TRUST FUND.

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(R. 28, S. 103) -- Senators Climer, Kimbrell, Verdin, Leber, Zell and Stubbs: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 47-17-510, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION AGAINST MISLEADING OR DECEPTIVE PRACTICES, LABELING, OR MISREPRESENTING PRODUCTS THAT ARE CELL-CULTURED MEATS, SO AS TO DEFINE “CELL-CULTIVATED FOOD PRODUCT” AND REQUIRE THE ACCURATE LABELING OF CELL-CULTIVATED FOOD PRODUCTS.

(R. 29, S. 164) -- Senator Campsen: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1-23-115, 1-23-120, AND 1-23-125, ALL RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR REGULATIONS, ALL SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE TOLLING OF THE PERIOD OF LEGISLATIVE REVIEW FROM THE SECOND FRIDAY IN MAY THROUGH THE SECOND MONDAY THE FOLLOWING JANUARY, AND TO PROVIDE FOR A ONE-HUNDRED-TEN-DAY LEGISLATIVE REVIEW PERIOD.

(R. 30, S. 165) -- Senators Campsen, Graham and Sutton: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE “SOUTH CAROLINA CONSERVATION EDUCATION ACT” BY ADDING SECTION 50-9-980 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONSERVATION EDUCATION FUND AND THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH REVENUES IN THE FUND MAY BE EXPENDED.

(R. 31, S. 213) -- Senator Turner: AN ACT TO AMEND ACT 919 OF 1928, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE GREENVILLE AIRPORT COMMISSION, SO AS TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS TO TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS.

(R. 32, S. 219) -- Senator Goldfinch: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 50-5-2730, RELATING TO THE APPLICABILITY OF FEDERAL FISHING REGULATIONS IN STATE WATERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE SEASON, CATCH LIMITS, AND MINIMUM SIZES FOR CERTAIN SPECIES UNDER THE SNAPPER-GROUPER FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN.

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(R. 33, S. 220) -- Senator Cromer: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-10, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO DEFINE TERMS; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-30, RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY OF INSURERS TO INVEST IN SECURITIES OF SUBSIDIARIES, SO AS TO INCLUDE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-70, RELATING TO CONTENTS OF STATEMENTS, SO AS TO FURTHER EXPLAIN THE REQUIREMENTS OF REPORTING THE DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-90, RELATING TO APPROVAL BY COMMISSIONERS OF ACQUISITION OF CONTROL, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE PERSON ACQUIRING CONTROL OF A DOMESTIC INSURER TO MAINTAIN OR RESTORE CAPITAL; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-160, RELATING TO INFORMATION WHICH NEED NOT BE DISCLOSED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENTS, SO AS TO DESIGNATE THAT THE DEFINITION DOES NOT APPLY FOR OTHER PURPOSES; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-225, RELATING TO THE ANNUAL ENTERPRISE RISK REPORT, SO AS TO IDENTIFY EXEMPTIONS FOR FILING THE GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATION AND TO REQUIRE FILING RESULTS OF THE LIQUIDITY STRESS TEST FOR SOME INSURERS; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-250, RELATING TO STANDARDS FOR TRANSACTIONS WITHIN INSURANCE SYSTEMS, SO AS TO OUTLINE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTOR, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-21-290, RELATING TO CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DIRECTOR TO KEEP GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATIONS, GROUP CAPITAL RATIO AND LIQUIDITY STRESS TEST RESULTS, AND SUPPORTING DISCLOSURES CONFIDENTIAL, AND TO ADD REFERENCES TO THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-12-30, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD AFFILIATES AND SUBSIDIARIES TO THE DEFINITION OF "PERSON"; TO AMEND SECTION 38-12-220, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON INVESTMENTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE AFFILIATES AND SUBSIDIARIES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 38-12-430, RELATING TO ASSET LIMITATIONS FOR INSURER HOLDINGS, SO AS TO INCLUDE AFFILIATES AND SUBSIDIARIES.

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(R. 34, S. 275) -- Senators Grooms, Walker, Climer, Zell and Sutton: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 58-27-10, RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD DEFINITIONS FOR “DIRECT-CURRENT-FAST-CHARGING STATION,” “ELECTRIC VEHICLE,” AND “ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROVIDER”; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 58-27-1060, RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTRIC UTILITIES OR OTHER PROVIDERS THAT OFFER ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS DIRECTLY TO THE PUBLIC SHALL DO SO ON A FAIR, REASONABLE, AND NONDISCRIMINATORY BASIS AND SHALL NOT PROVIDE AN UNREASONABLE ADVANTAGE FOR DIRECT-CURRENT-FAST-CHARGING-STATIONS; AND TO REGULATE REVENUE.

(R. 35, S. 276) -- Senator Young: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 63-11-400, 63-11-410, AND 63-11-420, ALL RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA CHILDREN’S ADVOCACY MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM ACT, SO AS TO RENAME THE ACT THE SOUTH CAROLINA CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT NETWORK AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

(R. 36, S. 307) -- Senators Climer, Kimbrell, Williams and Walker: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 36 TO TITLE 56 SO AS TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS, TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR THE OPERATION OF PEER-TO-PEER CAR SHARING PROGRAMS, AND TO ESTABLISH INSURANCE AND LIABILITY PROCEDURES; AND TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

(R. 37, S. 345) -- Senators Campsen and Goldfinch: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 50-11-510, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION AGAINST BAITING WILD TURKEYS, SO AS TO EXEMPT CERTAIN PERSONS WHO ARE TWO HUNDRED YARDS OR MORE FROM A BAITED AREA MANAGED FOR THE

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(R. 38, S. 367) -- Senator Campsen: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 2 TO CHAPTER 21, TITLE 50 ENTITLED “ABANDONED VESSELS, DERELICT VESSELS, AND SUNKEN VESSELS” SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ABANDONED VESSELS, DERELICT VESSELS, AND SUNKEN VESSELS ARE PUBLIC NUISANCES; TO DEFINE TERMS; TO ESTABLISH THE PENALTIES FOR A PERSON THAT CAUSES OR ALLOWS A VESSEL TO BECOME AN ABANDONED VESSEL OR A DERELICT VESSEL AND THE PENALTIES FOR INTENTIONALLY OR RECKLESSLY CAUSING A VESSEL TO SINK; TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENFORCING THE ARTICLE; TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR DECLARING CERTAIN VESSELS ABANDONED OR DERELICT; TO REQUIRE THE REMOVAL OF A DERELICT VESSEL WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS REMOVAL; AND TO REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A WEBSITE AND APPLICATION FOR THE REPORTING OF CERTAIN VESSELS; BY REPEALING SECTION 50-21-190 RELATING TO ABANDONED WATERCRAFT; BY REPEALING SECTION 50-23-205 RELATING TO THE SEIZURE OF CERTAIN WATERCRAFT; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 50-21-10(1) RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF ABANDON.

(R. 39, S. 425) -- Senators Davis, Hembree, Ott, Elliott, Jackson, Rankin and Devine: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-63-795 SO AS TO PROVIDE EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUALLY SHALL IDENTIFY THE NUMBER OF ITS STUDENTS WHO LIVE IN POVERTY AND INCREASE ACCESS TO FREE SCHOOL BREAKFASTS AND LUNCHESES FOR THESE STUDENTS, TO PROVIDE CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY, TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS, SCHOOLS, AND SCHOOL BOARDS, AND TO PROVIDE THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ACT SHALL BE SUSPENDED IF CERTAIN FEDERAL FUNDING IS SUSPENDED OR DISCONTINUED.

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(R. 40, S. 522) -- Senators Grooms and Campsen: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 2 AND 3 OF ACT 1235 OF 1970 SO AS TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE CHARLESTON COUNTY AIRPORT DISTRICT TO THE CHARLESTON REGIONAL AIRPORT DISTRICT AND TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE CHARLESTON COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY TO THE CHARLESTON REGIONAL AVIATION AUTHORITY.

(R. 41, H. 3196) -- Reps. Erickson, G.M. Smith, B. Newton, Wooten, Mitchell, Pope, Martin, Spann-Wilder, McCravy, Chumley, W. Newton, Gilliam, Collins, Vaughan, Caskey, Terrible, Kilmartin, Magnuson, Haddon, Wetmore, M.M. Smith, Schuessler, Stavrinakis, Sanders, Duncan, Teeple, Grant, Hartnett, Pedalino, Taylor, Hixon, Govan, Calhoon, Ligon, Lawson, Yow, Edgerton, Cromer, Reese, Gilliard, Alexander, Rivers, Oremus, Hartz and Anderson: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "EDUCATOR ASSISTANCE ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 59-101-145 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF DATA BEING COLLECTED UNDER CURRENT PROCEDURES TO REPORT ON CERTAIN POSTSECONDARY MATTERS CONCERNING GRADUATES OF SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND TO REQUIRE THE STREAMLINING OF DATA COLLECTION TIMELINES AND PROCESSES; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-47, RELATING TO POLICIES AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS FOR UNUSED TEACHER LEAVE, SO AS TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL POLICIES THAT ALLOW TEACHERS TO DONATE SUCH UNUSED LEAVE TO A LEAVE BANK FOR OTHER EMPLOYEES, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE POLICIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-410, RELATING TO ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL TEACHER EMPLOYMENT AND ASSIGNMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE NOTIFICATION MUST INCLUDE CERTAIN SALARY INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS IN THE REQUIRED NOTICE, TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF TENTATIVE TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE PROVIDED NO LATER THAN FOURTEEN CALENDAR DAYS BEFORE THE START OF THE SCHOOL YEAR, AND TO PROHIBIT LIMITATIONS ON TEACHER REASSIGNMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-1-425, RELATING TO REQUIRED DAYS FOR COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE ANNUAL SCHOOL CALENDAR, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF DAYS TO

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FOUR, TO PROVIDE DISTRICTS MUST VERIFY COMPLETING OF THE REQUIRED COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN A CERTAIN MANNER, TO PROVIDE TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS MUST BE PROVIDED SELF-DIRECTED FREE TIME TO EVALUATE STUDENT ACADEMIC DATA, INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING, AND CLASSROOM PREPARATION, AND TO REMOVE A TWO-DAY MAXIMUM LIMITATION ON USE OF THESE COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS FOR THE PREPARATION AND OPENING OF SCHOOLS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-160, RELATING TO ACTIONS CONSTITUTING JUST CAUSE GROUNDS FOR TEACHER CERTIFICATE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION PURPOSES, SO AS TO INCLUDE BREACH OF CONTRACT; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-530, RELATING TO UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND BREACH OF CONTRACT BY TEACHERS, SO AS TO RECHARACTERIZE CERTAIN ACTIONS AS BEING BREACH OF CONTRACT INSTEAD OF UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT, TO REVISE THE PENALTIES AND CONSEQUENCES FOR SUCH BREACHES OF CONTRACT, AND TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM BREACH OF CONTRACT FINDINGS FOR TEACHERS WHO MOVE TO BONA FIDE RESIDENCES IN NONCONTIGUOUS COUNTIES DURING THE CONTRACT TERM, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-26-40, RELATING TO CONTINUING CONTRACT STATUS FOR TEACHERS, SO AS TO REQUIRE COMPLETION OF COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND TO PROVIDE EMPLOYING DISTRICTS SHALL AWARD CREDITS FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING CERTIFICATE RENEWAL TO CONTINUING CONTRACT TEACHERS WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE SUCH COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-26-45, RELATING TO RETIRED EDUCATOR TEACHING CERTIFICATES, SO AS TO MAKE SUCH CERTIFICATES LIFETIME IN DURATION INSTEAD OF RENEWABLE, TO PROVIDE SUCH TEACHERS MAY TEACH ON A FULL-TIME BASIS OR PART-TIME BASIS, AND TO EXEMPT SUCH TEACHERS FROM CERTIFICATE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS; BY REPEALING SECTION 59-101-130 RELATING TO HIGH SCHOOLS REPORTING TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING REPORTING TO HIGH SCHOOLS; AND BY

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REPEALING SECTION 59-101-140 RELATING TO TABULATION OF REPORTS.

(R. 42, H. 3333) -- Reps. Davis, B.J. Cox and Caskey: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 31-12-30, RELATING TO REDEVELOPMENT OF FEDERAL MILITARY INSTALLATIONS DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT INCLUDES CERTAIN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 31-12-210, RELATING TO ISSUANCE OF OBLIGATIONS FOR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT BY MUNICIPALITY, SO AS TO PROVIDE WHEN CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS MUST BE ISSUED.

(R. 43, H. 3432) -- Reps. W. Newton, Mitchell, Yow and T. Moore: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 27-6-20, RELATING TO NONVESTED PROPERTY INTEREST OR POWER OF APPOINTMENT, SO AS TO INCREASE THE TIME AN INTEREST CAN VEST FROM NINETY YEARS TO THREE HUNDRED SIXTY YEARS; BY AMENDING SECTION 27-6-40, RELATING TO REFORMATION OF PROPERTY DISPOSITIONS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE TIME LIMIT FROM NINETY YEARS TO THREE HUNDRED SIXTY YEARS; BY AMENDING SECTION 62-7-504, RELATING TO DISCRETIONARY TRUSTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SITUATIONS IN WHICH A BENEFICIARY OF A TRUST MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED A SETTLOR; BY AMENDING SECTION 62-7-505, RELATING TO CREDITORS' CLAIMS AGAINST A SETTLOR, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN AMOUNTS PAID TO TAXING AUTHORITIES MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED AN AMOUNT THAT MAY BE DISTRIBUTED FOR THE SETTLOR'S BENEFIT; AND BY ADDING SECTION 62-7-508 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN GRANTOR TRUST REIMBURSEMENTS.

(R. 44, H. 3472) -- Reps. McCabe, W. Newton, Pedalino, Hixon, Gibson, Gagnon, Calhoon, Mitchell, Yow and Ligon: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 62-3-1201, RELATING TO COLLECTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY BY AFFIDAVIT, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMIT OF ESTATES TO FORTY-FIVE

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THOUSAND DOLLARS; BY AMENDING SECTION 62-3-1203, RELATING TO SMALL ESTATES AND SUMMARY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMIT OF ESTATES TO FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS; BY AMENDING SECTION 62-3-1204, RELATING TO SMALL ESTATES AND CLOSING BY SWORN STATEMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMIT OF ESTATES TO FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 62-2-401, RELATING TO EXEMPT PROPERTIES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMIT OF EXEMPT PROPERTIES TO FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

(R. 45, H. 3947) -- Reps. Hixon, Pedalino, McCabe, Vaughan and Taylor: AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-57-340, RELATING TO BIENNIAL CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL BY THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, SO AS TO PROVIDE NONRESIDENT BROKERS AND NONRESIDENT ASSOCIATES WHO SUCCESSFULLY SATISFY CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OF THEIR JURISDICTION OF RESIDENCE MAY BE EXEMPT FROM THE CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS STATE WITH APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION; AND BY ADDING SECTION 40-57-345 SO AS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN LICENSEES WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE MAY APPLY FOR LICENSE RENEWAL IF THEY WERE IN GOOD STANDING, WERE LICENSED IN THIS STATE FOR AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, AND WERE AT LEAST SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF EXPIRATION, TO PROVIDE SUCH APPLICANTS FOR RENEWAL MUST PAY A RENEWAL FEE, AND TO EXEMPT LICENSEES MEETING THESE REQUIREMENTS FROM CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:11 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. W. NEWTON, adjourned in memory of Mary Bolen Vaux, to meet at 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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