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**TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2026**  
**(STATEWIDE SESSION)**

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The House assembled at 9:00 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Jeff Lingerfelt as follows:

Our thought for today is from Proverbs 14:33: “Wisdom is in every thought of intelligent people; fools know nothing about wisdom.”

Let us pray: O Lord God, our Father in Heaven, Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people. Your commandments make us wiser than our enemies, even more insightful than all our teachers. Your testimonies are our meditation when we obey Your precepts. O Lord in a day and age where wisdom seems scarce, we can find and take comfort in the super-abundance of wisdom given to us in Your Word. Wisdom teaches us how to live and to live well under Your watchful care and guidance. But more than living well, wisdom teaches us how to die well when our appointed time comes. So, teach us how to number and govern our days so that we can present to you a heart of wisdom. Impart wisdom to each Representative in this Assembly today as they rule under the watchful eye of the Almighty. You are a compassionate God abounding in lovingkindness to those who walk uprightly before You and call upon Your great name. 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 yesterday, the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* ordered it confirmed.

#### **MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. LUCK moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Shawn Eaddy, which was agreed to.

#### **In Memory of Shawn Eaddy (2011-2025)**

Shawn was a loving, gentle, and reserved young man whose creativity touched everyone around him. He was an artist, he was an athlete in multiple sports, and he was a proud member of the SC State University 1890 Extension 4-H Jr. Leadership Club (Pee Dee Region). Shawn was an A/B honor roll student at Wilson Middle School and rising 9th grader at Wilson High School.

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Today would have been Shawn's 15th birthday, but he passed away unexpectedly on July 23, 2025. He touched many hearts, and his spirit will continue to inspire everyone who knew and loved him.

Rep. Jason Luck

**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	Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Ford	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	Lastinger	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
McCabe	McCrary	McDaniel
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins

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Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terribile
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total Present--122**

**STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

Reps. CROMER, GILLIARD and HERBKERSMAN signed a statement with the Clerk that they came in after the roll call of the House and were present for the Session on Monday, March 9.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. SPANN-WILDER a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* granted Rep. MONTGOMERY a leave of absence for the day due to a prior family commitment.

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. Vince Degenhart of Charleston County was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

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

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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. 3024  
Date: ADD:  
03/10/26 NEESE and J. L. JOHNSON

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

Bill Number: H. 4050  
Date: ADD:  
03/10/26 W. NEWTON, HERBKERSMAN, ERICKSON and  
BRADLEY

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

Bill Number: H. 4103  
Date: ADD:  
03/10/26 BREWER

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

Bill Number: H. 4666  
Date: ADD:  
03/10/26 ROBBINS

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

Bill Number: H. 4679  
Date: ADD:  
03/10/26 W. NEWTON and HERBKERSMAN

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

Bill Number: H. 4703  
Date: ADD:  
03/10/26 HEWITT, HIOTT, VAUGHAN, D. MITCHELL,  
PEDALINO, MCCABE, SCHUESSLER,  
BRITTAIN, HERBKERSMAN, W. NEWTON,  
ROBBINS, LONG, GAGNON and CHAPMAN

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**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

Bill Number: H. 5013  
Date: ADD:  
03/10/26 SCHUESSLER

**H. 5126--INTERRUPTED DEBATE**

Debate was resumed on the following Bill, the pending question being the consideration of Part IA:

H. 5126 -- 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, 2026, 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.

**PART IA**

**SECTION 27**

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 82; Nays 17

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Atkinson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bannister	Bauer	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hart	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	King

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Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Long	Luck	Martin
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	T. Moore	Moss
B. Newton	W. Newton	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Wetmore
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Wooten		

**Total--82**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCabe	D. Mitchell	Oremus
Pace	Terrible	

**Total--17**

Section 27 was adopted.

**SECTION 31--ADOPTED**

Rep. EDGERTON proposed the following Amendment No. 1 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\012\dph interim director.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 31, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, page 79, line 2, opposite /COMMISSIONERS/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
258,959	258,959

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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Rep. EDGERTON explained the amendment.

Rep. EDGERTON spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT spoke against the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,  
resulting as follows:

Yeas 73; Nays 30

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Atkinson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Calhoon	Caskey	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gibson	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Hager	Hardee
Hart	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Kirby	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
Pope	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
Scott	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Waters	Wetmore	Whitmire
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--73**

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chapman
Chumley	Cromer	Duncan
Edgerton	Ford	Frank
Gilreath	Haddon	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Magnuson
McCabe	McCrary	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Rankin	Sanders
Terrible	Vaughan	White

**Total--30**

So, the amendment was tabled.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 71; Nays 16

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Atkinson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Bustos	Calhoon	Chapman
Chumley	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Ford	Forrest	Gagnon
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
J. L. Johnson	Jones	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Magnuson	Martin	McDaniel
McGinnis	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Rankin	Rivers	Robbins

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Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--71**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lastinger	McCravy	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Pace	Terribile
White		

**Total--16**

Section 31 was adopted.

#### **RECORD FOR VOTING**

I inadvertently voted on H. 5126, Part 1A, Section 31, 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. April Cromer

#### **SECTION 48--ADOPTED**

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 7 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sgcelimination.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 48, SEA GRANT CONSORTIUM, page 138, lines 1-18, by striking the section in its entirety.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT spoke against the amendment.

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Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,  
resulting as follows:

Yeas 87; Nays 20

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Clyburn	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Haddon	Hardee	Hart
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Kirby	Landing
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pope
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Wetmore
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--87**

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Ford
Gilreath	Hager	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	Lastinger
Magnuson	McCabe	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Pace	Rankin
Terribile	White	

**Total--20**

So, the amendment was tabled.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 87; Nays 20

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gibson
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Haddon	Hardee
Hart	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Landing	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McCrary	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pope	Rivers

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Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Wetmore
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--87**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Ford
Frank	Gilreath	Hager
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe
D. Mitchell	Morgan	Pace
Terribile	White	

**Total--20**

Section 48 was adopted.

**SECTION 49--ADOPTED**

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 11 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\prt it elim.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 49, DEPT. OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 139, line 10, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
200,000	200,000

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

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Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,  
resulting as follows:

Yeas 94; Nays 17

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hart
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	King
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--94**

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Kilmartin
Magnuson	McCabe	McCrary
D. Mitchell	Morgan	Pace
Terribile	White	

**Total--17**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 10 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\reg promotion elim.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 49, DEPT. OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 140, line 3, opposite /REGIONAL PROMOTIONS/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
275,000	275,000

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 94; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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

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Clyburn	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hart
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	McDaniel
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--94**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Edgerton	Ford	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe
McCrary	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terrible	White

**Total--18**

So, the amendment was tabled.

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Rep. MAGNUSON proposed the following Amendment No. 8 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\prt spt mkt \$1.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 49, DEPT. OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 140, line 4, opposite /SPORTS MARKETING GRANT PROGRAM/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
1,999,999	1,999,999

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. MAGNUSON explained the amendment.

Rep. YOW spoke against the amendment.

Rep. YOW moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 13 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\prt 2526 funding.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 49, DEPT. OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 139, line 10, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
200,000	200,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 49, DEPT. OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 140, line 2, opposite /DESTINATION-SPECIFIC ADVERTISING/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
275,000	275,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 49, DEPT. OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 140, line 3, opposite /REGIONAL PROMOTIONS/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
275,000	275,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 49, DEPT. OF

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PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM, page 141, line 28, opposite /SPORTS MARKETING GRANT PROGRAM/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
350,000	350,000

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. HART raised the Rule 8.3 Point of Order that Amendment No. 13 was dilatory and out of order.

Rep. CROMER argued contra.

SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* overruled the Point of Order.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. MAGNUSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 94; Nays 21

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Cobb-Hunter	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hart	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Holman	Hosey	Howard

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J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--94**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Ford
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	Lastinger
Magnuson	McCabe	McCrary
D. Mitchell	Morgan	Oremus
Pace	Terrible	White

**Total--21**

So, the amendment was tabled.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 98; Nays 8

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Atkinson	Bailey	Ballentine
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley

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Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hart
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Hewitt	Hiott
Holman	Hosey	Howard
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kilmartin	Kirby
Landing	Lastinger	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	McCrary
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Moss	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--98**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Cromer	Frank
Harris	Magnuson	Morgan
Pace	White	

**Total--8**

Section 49 was adopted.

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**SECTION 50--ADOPTED**

Rep. EDGERTON proposed the following Amendment No. 14 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\comm sec pay cut.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 50, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, page 143, line 3, opposite /DIRECTOR/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
251,680	251,680

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 50, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, page 143, line 5, opposite /CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
39,312	39,312

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. EDGERTON explained the amendment.

Rep. EDGERTON spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 97; Nays 21

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Gagnon

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Garvin	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hart
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Kirby	Landing
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--97**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chapman
Chumley	Cromer	Edgerton
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	Lastinger
Lawson	Magnuson	McCabe
McCravy	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terribile	White

**Total--21**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. MAGNUSON proposed the following Amendment No. 15 (Doc

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Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 50, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, page 144, line 8, opposite /LOCATESC/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
11,000,000	11,000,000

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. MAGNUSON explained the amendment.

Rep. MAGNUSON spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 98; Nays 19

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Hart	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon

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Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--98**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chapman
Chumley	Cromer	Edgerton
Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCabe	McCrary	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Pace	Terrible
White		

**Total--19**

So, the amendment was tabled.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 95; Nays 17

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bauer	Bernstein	Bradley
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter

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Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Govan
Guest	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hart	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	King
Kirby	Landing	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Martin	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
T. Moore	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--95**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Bowers	Burns
Chumley	Cromer	Edgerton
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCabe	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Terribile	White	

**Total--17**

Section 50 was adopted.

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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
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Chumley
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Govan	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hart	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kilmartin	King	Kirby
Landing	Lastinger	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
McCabe	McCrary	McDaniel
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan

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Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--114**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 54 was adopted.

**SECTION 70--ADOPTED**

Reps. PACE and CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 93 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\007\hac funding deletion.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 70, HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION, page 186, by deleting Section 70 in its entirety.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. PACE spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. HOWARD spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CRAWFORD spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CRAWFORD moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 98; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon

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Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliam	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	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--98**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCraavy	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terrible	White

**Total--18**

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So, the amendment was tabled.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 81; Nays 17

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Bustos	Calhoon	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. L. Johnson	Jones
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Martin	McDaniel
McGinnis	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Rankin
Rivers	Robbins	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Wetmore
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--81**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank

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Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
D. Mitchell	Morgan	Pace
Terribile	White	

**Total--17**

Section 70 was adopted.

**RECORD FOR VOTING**

I inadvertently voted on H. 5126, Part 1A, Section 70, 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. Beth Bernstein

**RECORD FOR VOTING**

I inadvertently voted on H. 5126, Part 1A, Section 70, 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. T. Moore

**SECTION 71--ADOPTED**

Reps. CROMER and PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 95 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\007\cae state funding elimination.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 71, COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT & ENGAGEMENT, page 187, line , opposite /Total Commission for Community Advancement & Engagement/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
3,778,269	3,778,269
(27.00)	(27.00)

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. CROMER spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. WATERS spoke against the amendment.

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Rep. CRAWFORD spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CRAWFORD moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 104 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\007\cae new increase cut.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 71, COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT & ENGAGEMENT, page 187, line , opposite /Classified Positions/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
37,313	37,313

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 71, COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT & ENGAGEMENT, page 187, line 12, opposite /Employer Contributions/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
12,687	12,687

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. CRAWFORD spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CRAWFORD moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 99; Nays 16

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox

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Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hart	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--99**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Kilmartin	Lastinger
Magnuson	McCabe	McCrary
Morgan	Pace	Terrible
White		

**Total--16**

So, the amendment was tabled.

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The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 100; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hart	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks

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Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--100**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe
McCravy	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terrible	White

**Total--18**

Section 71 was adopted.

**SECTION 93--ADOPTED**

Rep. OREMUS proposed the following Amendment No. 79 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\012\admin g. state technology reduction.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 93, DEPT OF ADMINISTRATION, page 229, line 14, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
300,000	300,000

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 93, DEPT OF ADMINISTRATION, page 227, line 30, opposite /OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES/ by decreasing the amount(s) in Columns 3 and 4 by:

Column 3	Column 4
1,140,000	1,140,000

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. OREMUS explained the amendment.

Rep. OREMUS moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

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The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 118; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	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
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Luck	Magnuson	McCabe
McCrary	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith

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M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--118**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 93 was adopted.

**SECTION 105**

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	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kilmartin

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King	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	McCabe	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
D. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terrible	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--114**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 105 was adopted.

Rep. BANNISTER moved that the House recede until 1:45 p.m., which was agreed to.

Further proceedings were interrupted by the House receding, the pending question being consideration of H. 5126.

**THE HOUSE RESUMES**

At 1:45 p.m. the House resumed, the SPEAKER in the Chair.

**POINT OF QUORUM**

The question of a quorum was raised.

A quorum was later present.

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**H. 5126--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

Debate was resumed on the following Bill, the pending question being the consideration of

H. 5126--THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILL

H. 5126 -- 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, 2026, 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.

**PART IB**

**SECTION 1--AMENDED AND ADOPTED**

Rep. M. M. SMITH proposed the following Amendment No. 121 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\012\sde health education.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 283, proviso 1.39, by amending the proviso to read:

/ (SDE: HEALTH EDUCATION) (1) EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS REQUIRED TO ENSURE THAT ALL COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH EDUCATION, AND FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION CONDUCTED WITHIN THE DISTRICT, WHETHER BY SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR A PRIVATE ENTITY, MUST UTILIZE CURRICULUM THAT COMPLIES WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 32, TITLE 59 (COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION ACT CHEA) AND ALIGNS TO ALL STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION. A SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST FULFILL ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHEA AND MUST NOT VIOLATE ANY PORTION OF CHEA. EACH SCHOOL WITHIN THE DISTRICT MUST PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF CHEA COMPLIANCE TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST ANNUALLY PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF CHEA COMPLIANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ACCOUNTING FOR EACH

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SCHOOL WITHIN THE DISTRICT. THE DEPARTMENT HAS THE RIGHT TO REVIEW ALL MATERIALS USED BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT OF A DISTRICT'S REPORT OF CHEA COMPLIANCE AND MAKE A FINAL DETERMINATION. EACH DISTRICT SHALL PUBLISH ON ITS WEBSITE THE TITLE AND PUBLISHER OF ALL HEALTH EDUCATION MATERIALS IT HAS APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND USED IN THE CLASSROOM. IF THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT A DISTRICT IS NON-COMPLIANT WITH MANDATED HEALTH EDUCATION UPON REVIEW OF THE DISTRICT'S ANNUAL CHE COMPLIANCE SURVEY OR IF THE DISTRICT FAILS TO PUBLISH THE TITLE AND PUBLISHER OF ALL MATERIALS ON ITS WEBSITE, THEN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL WITHHOLD ~~ONE~~ TEN PERCENT OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS ALLOCATED IN PART IA, SECTION 1, X - STUDENT HEALTH AND FITNESS ACT UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THE DISTRICT IS IN COMPLIANCE.

(2) ANY PERSON MAY COMPLAIN IN A SIGNED, NOTARIZED WRITING TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT MATTER NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 32, TITLE 59 IS BEING TAUGHT IN THE DISTRICT. UPON RECEIVING A NOTARIZED COMPLAINT, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING BOARD MUST ENSURE THAT THE COMPLAINT IS IMMEDIATELY INVESTIGATED AND, IF THE COMPLAINT IS DETERMINED TO BE FOUNDED, THAT IMMEDIATE ACTION IS TAKEN TO CORRECT THE VIOLATION. IF CORRECTIVE ACTION IS NOT TAKEN WITHIN 60 DAYS OF SUCH A DETERMINATION, OR IF NO INVESTIGATION IS MADE WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE CHAIRMAN'S RECEIPT OF THE NOTARIZED STATEMENT, THEN THE COMPLAINANT MAY WITHIN 60 CALENDAR DAYS, GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE NOTICE MUST INCLUDE THE ORIGINAL NOTARIZED COMPLAINT. IF, UPON INVESTIGATION, THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THE DISTRICT HAS NOT TAKEN APPROPRIATE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO CORRECT A VIOLATION, THEN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL WITHHOLD ~~ONE~~ TEN PERCENT OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS ALLOCATED IN PART IA, SECTION 1, X - STUDENT HEALTH AND FITNESS ACT

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UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THE DISTRICT IS IN COMPLIANCE. /

Renumber sections to conform.  
Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. M. M. SMITH explained the amendment.  
The amendment was then adopted.

Reps. HAYES and ERICKSON proposed the following Amendment No. 87 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\011\hs league oversight.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 309, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(SDE: High School League Oversight) (A) In the current fiscal year, a public school district, including charter schools and their authorizers, may not join, affiliate with, pay dues or fees to, or in any way financially support any interscholastic athletic association, body, or entity unless the constitution, bylaws, rules, or other governing that govern the association, body, or entity contain the following:*

*(1) A provision requiring that the governing body of the association, body, or entity must be comprised solely of:*

*(a) one member from each classification selected by a vote of the respective schools, provided that the number of members selected from this item shall not number more than five, whose terms must be set by the body but may not exceed two years;*

*(b) two members appointed by the Chair of the House Education and Public Works Committee, who shall serve at the pleasure of the chair;*

*(c) two members appointed by the Chair of the Senate Education Committee, who shall serve at the pleasure of the chair;*

*(d) one member appointed by the State Superintendent of Education upon the recommendation of the South Carolina Association of School Administrators, or its successor, to serve at his pleasure and who shall chair the executive committee;*

*(e) two members who are current athletic officials, one each appointed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, for a term of two years;*

*(f) one member appointed by the South Carolina Athletic Coaches Association or its successor organization, who shall serve a term of two years; and*

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(g) two members appointed by the Governor, one who must be a current principal upon the recommendation of the South Carolina Association of School Administrators or its successor organization and one upon the recommendation of the South Carolina Athletic Administrators Association or its successor organization, each of whom shall serve a term of two years.

(2) A provision requiring that the association, body, or entity be subject to audits performed by the Legislative Audit Council.

(3) A provision requiring that the association, body, or entity shall submit its annual budget to the General Assembly and be subject to appearing before the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee.

(4) A provision requiring that the association, body, or entity must be subject to legislative oversight as provided in Chapter 2, Title 2.

(5) A provision requiring that the commissioner of the association, body, or entity shall file an annual Statement of Economic Interest with the South Carolina Ethics Commission.

(6) A provision requiring that any employment contract with the commissioner of the association, body, or entity may not:

(a) exceed three years; or

(b) contain an automatic rollover provision.

(7) A provision requiring the use of a range of sanctions that:

(a) may be applied to a student, coach, team, or program;

and

(b) considers factors such as seriousness, frequency, and other relevant factors when there is a violation of the constitution, bylaws, rules, or other governing provisions of the association, body, or entity.

(8) Provisions concerning private schools and charter schools that:

(a) afford a private school or a charter school the same rights and privileges that are enjoyed by all other members of the association, body, or entity;

(b) prohibit expulsion of a private school or a charter school or the unreasonable withholding of the membership of a private school or a charter school based solely on its status as a private school or a charter school;

(c) prohibit restrictions on the ability of a private school or a charter school to participate in interscholastic athletics including, but not limited to, state playoffs or championships;

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(d) require the establishment of reasonable standards for the admission of private schools and charter schools as members of the association, body, or entity; and

(e) require that when a private school or a charter school is denied membership in the association, body, or entity, the school must be provided the reason or reasons for the rejection of its application for membership in writing within five business days after the denial.

(9) A provision that guarantees a South Carolina home school athletic team that is a member of a home school athletic association may not be denied access to preseason and regular season interscholastic athletics including, but not limited to, jamborees and invitational tournaments, based solely on its status as a home school athletic team; provided, however, all other rules or policies of the association, body, or entity must apply.

(10) A provision that creates a uniform system applicable to all member schools at the varsity, sub-varsity, junior varsity, and middle school levels that establishes fines for the cancellation of a scheduled contest regardless of whether the contest is in-region or out-of-region, including for the refusal of a member school to schedule a mandatory region contest with another member school within the same region, including, but not limited to, requirements that:

(a) a school which cancels a scheduled contest must be fined an amount equal to the cost incurred for officials, tickets, and concessions or one thousand dollars, whichever is greater; and

(b) a waiver of the fine may be granted only if the contest is rescheduled or cancelled for a documented health or safety reason, in which case the school may not be fined.

(11) A total provision that prohibits students from earning compensation from the use of their names, images, or likenesses (NIL).

(12) A provision that allows an individual student who attends a private school in this State to have the opportunity to try out for and, if selected, participate in an interscholastic athletic program offered at a public school in the district if the:

(a) student resides within the attendance zone boundaries of the public school;

(b) private school which the student attends is not a member of the South Carolina High School League;

(c) private school which the student attends does not offer the particular sport for the student's gender;

(d) particular sport in which the student seeks to participate is offered at the public school located in the attendance zone where the

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student resides:

(e) student notifies the superintendent of the public school district in writing of his intent to try out in the particular sport as a representative of the public school before the beginning date of the season for the sport in which he wishes to try out;

(f) student pays for all sport-specific fees charged by the public school for an individual student to participate in the particular sport;

(g) student meets all public school district eligibility requirements, except for the:

(i) class and enrollment requirements of the school district;

and

(ii) class and enrollment requirements of the association which administers the interscholastic sports;

(h) student and the student's parent or guardian agrees for the student to be subject to the code of conduct of the public school; and

(i) student has not been expelled from the same public school during the same academic year.

(13) A provision that allows the participation of private school students in interscholastic athletic programs supervised by the entity.

(14) A provision that establishes uniform eligibility requirements for new students to participate in interscholastic athletics. These eligibility requirements may not be more restrictive in language or application than the rules or policies of the association, body, or entity that were in effect on January 1, 2020.

(15) A provision that the association, body, or entity may not apply public school academic, athletic, or extracurricular policies or procedures to any private school that a student attends if the student also participates in a public high school league sport pursuant to the terms of this chapter, except for requirements related to maintaining a certain grade-point average and grade level for participating in and attending regularly scheduled practices of the sports team.

(16) A provision that the association, body, or entity shall establish a multiplier system for the purpose of classification that considers a school's geographic location, student population, and performance in each sport in which it participates.

(B) Notwithstanding any athlete transfer rules and policies adopted by the association, body, or entity, a student who attends a school outside of his attendance zone may immediately participate in interscholastic competitions if the student is otherwise academically eligible and the following conditions are met:

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(1) for students enrolled in middle school, the association shall allow a one-time transfer after eligibility is established in the seventh grade; and

(2) for students enrolled in high school, the association shall allow a one-time transfer after eligibility is established in the ninth grade.

(C) The association, body, or entity shall establish an appeals process through which appeals of decisions by the association, body, or entity may be made to a disinterested third-party appellate panel. The panel must consist of seven members who serve four-year terms, with one person appointed by the delegation of each congressional district.

(D)(1) A member of the panel shall serve until his successor is appointed and qualified. A vacancy on the panel must be filled in the manner of the original appointment.

(2) Members of the appellate panel may not concurrently serve as officers of the association, body, or entity and may not have served as a member of the executive committee within the three-year period immediately preceding their appointment to the appellate panel.

(3) Principals and superintendents may appeal a ruling of the association, body, or entity to the panel. The appellate panel also must provide the final ruling in any appeal brought against a decision of the association, body, or entity.

(E) The association shall establish and ensure a procedure for emergency appeals to be held and decided upon in an expedited manner if the normal appellate process would prohibit the participation of a student, team, program, or school in an athletic event, to include competitions and practices.

(F) The High School Athletics Oversight and Accountability Committee shall be established to examine and study the operations and management of the South Carolina High School League and public school athletics.

(G) The committee must consist of nine members, including:

(1) three members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House; and

(3) three members appointed by the Governor.

(H) The Senate Education Committee and the House Education and Public Works Committee shall provide appropriate staffing and meeting facilities for the committee.

(I) The committee shall report findings to the Governor and

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General Assembly before June 30, 2027, at which time the committee is dissolved./

Renumber sections to conform.  
Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. HAYES explained the amendment.  
The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. ERICKSON proposed the following Amendment No. 88 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\011\home school students.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 309, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SDE: Home School Students) For the current fiscal year, Section 59-63-100(A)(3), relating to participation in interscholastic activities of public school districts by home school, charter school, and Governor's school students, is suspended. For purposes of this proviso, "home school student" means a child taught in accordance with Sections 59-65-40, 59-65-45, or 59-65-47 and who has been taught in accordance with one of these sections for a full academic year prior to participating in an interscholastic activity. The requirement of being taught for one full academic year as a home school student before being granted eligibility for interscholastic activity is waived if the student attended a public or private school within the previous academic year and was not expelled, assigned to an alternative school for disciplinary reasons, or earned a grade point average of 1.0 or higher. /

Renumber sections to conform.  
Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the amendment.  
The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. LAWSON proposed the following Amendment No. 92 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\004\cpr school safety.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 309, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SDE: Funding for School Safety) Of the funds appropriated in this act for School Safety, the department may utilize \$2,000,000 to assist

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individual schools and/or districts to promote cardiac emergency response plans for high-needs schools, including, but not limited to the purchase of AEDs, AED maintenance, AED pads, AED battery replacements, CPR training kits or CPS training for faculty or staff, basic first aid training, and educational materials. High-need schools may be determined by using a district's Index to Taxpaying Ability. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. LAWSON explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. BEACH proposed the following Amendment No. 111 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\011\pickens cty school dist.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 309, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SDE: Pickens County School District) Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Education, \$245,000 shall be allocated to the Pickens County School District for the reimbursement of legal fees. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. BEACH explained the amendment.

Rep. WHITMIRE moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. COLLINS proposed the following Amendment No. 126 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\004\estf recipient rates.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 309, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SDE: ESTF Recipient Rates) The State Board of Education shall investigate the tuition rates charged to Education Scholarship Trust Fund (ESTF) recipients in comparison to non-ESTF students at private or religious schools. The State Board of Education shall also have the authority to investigate the rates that approved vendors charge for goods or services to ESTF recipients. For purposes of conducting these

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investigations, the State Board of Education may request documentation or other relevant information from participating schools and vendors as necessary. The State Board of Education shall report its findings to the Governor, Chairman of House Ways & Means, and the Chairman of Senate Finance by December 31, 2026.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. COLLINS explained the amendment.

#### POINT OF ORDER

Rep. LONG raised the Point of Order that Amendment No. 126 was not germane under rule 5.3.B.1.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. COLLINS proposed the following Amendment No. 127 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\004\estf application process.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 309, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SDE: ESTF Application Process) (A) Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Education for the Education Scholarship Trust Fund (ESTF) for the current fiscal year, the department shall create a standard application process and timeline for parents to establish the eligibility of their student for the ESTF program. Beginning November first, an early application window will be opened for current participants of this program who continue to meet the criteria of an eligible student, and their siblings. The department shall continue to accept applications for the ESTF program on a rolling basis until capacity is met and then shall maintain a waitlist to maximize program participation.

(B) Pursuant to the timeline established in item (A), the department shall ensure the following:

(1) applications must be processed in the order in which they are received, within each of the priority and general application windows;

(2) after the conclusion of the application window for current participants and their siblings, a priority application window for new program participants must be open for students who meet the following criteria:

(a) has a parent or guardian who is an active-duty member

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of the Armed Forces of the United State and will be living in South Carolina as a result of their duty station;

(b) has a household income that does not exceed three hundred percent of the federal poverty guidelines; or

(c) has attended a public school in the previous academic year;

(3) once the priority application windows have closed, the general application window must open for any student who did not meet the early application window criteria; and

(4) within thirty days of submission of all required documentation, award letters must be enrolled and issued, and the student's online account must be created.

(C) Before awarding a scholarship, the department must obtain evidence of all other student eligibility criteria set forth in Section 59-8-110.

(D) The department shall approve an initial application for scholarship if:

(1) the parent submits an application for a scholarship in accordance with the application and procedures established by the department;

(2) the student on whose behalf the parent is applying is an eligible student;

(3) funds are available for the ESTF; and

(4) the parent annually attests to the following:

(a) provide, at a minimum, a program of academic instruction for the eligible student in at least the subjects of English/language arts to include writing, mathematics, social studies, and science;

(b) ensure the scholarship student takes 150 or provides assessments in a similar manner through other means if the scholarship student does not receive full-time instruction from an education service provider;

(c) use the scholarship for qualifying expenses only for an approved provider to educate the scholarship student, subject to penalty;

(d) does not enroll their scholarship student in a public school as a full-time student in the resident school, as defined in this proviso;

(e) does not participate in a home instruction program under Section 59-65-40, 59-65-45 or 59-65-47, or other home-based personalized learning program not specifically approved by the State Board of Education as provided in Section 59-65-10;

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(f) includes parental acknowledgement that the nonpublic school education service providers are not subject to IDEA and are not required to offer the same services as the public school system to which their child is zoned for attendance. A parents does have the ability to request an evaluation and determination of possible eligibility from their resident school district; and

(g) confirms that, if the parent's child is a student with disabilities, the parent has received notice from the department that participation in the ESTF program is a parental placement of the scholarship student under IDEA, along with an explanation of the rights that parentally placed students possess under IDEA and any applicable state laws and regulations, including the consultation process provided for in 20 U.S.C. Section 1412(a)(10) and the Individual Education Program requirements described in Section 1414(d) of IDEA.

(E) The department shall make available on its website in a conspicuous location information in conformity with 34 C.F.R. Sections 300.130 through 300-144, Assistance to States for the Education of Children with Disabilities, explaining to parents the rights of children with disabilities under IDEA both in public schools and as parentally placed students in private schools.

(F) Personal deposits into an ESTF account are prohibited.

(G) Funds received pursuant to this proviso do not constitute taxable income to the parent of the scholarship student or to the student.

(H) The State Board of Education may promulgate regulations for the administration of the program as may be applicable.

(I) The department may contract with qualified organizations to administer the program application process or specific functions, maintenance, and monitoring of the program application process as required above.

(J) Students must be considered enrolled in the program until the parent notifies the department of a decision to terminate participation or the department determines that the student is no longer eligible.

(K) "Department" means the South Carolina Department of Education.

(L) "Education Scholarship Trust Fund," "ESTF," or "fund" means the individual account that is administered by the department to which funds are allocated to the parent of an eligible student to pay for qualifying expenses.

(M) "Eligible school" means a South Carolina public school or a nonprofit South Carolina independent school where a student is enrolled full time, that chooses to participate in the program. "Eligible school"

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does not include a school in which a member of the General Assembly or an immediate family member of a member of the General Assembly has any direct financial interest. For purposes of this provision, "immediate family member" means as defined in Section 8-13-100(18). "Eligible school" does not include charter school.

(N) "Eligible student" means a student who:

(a) is a resident of this State; and

(b)(i) has attained at least the age of five on or before September first of the school year in which scholarship funds were awarded;

(ii) in School Year 2025-2026, has a household income that does not exceed three hundred percent of the federal poverty guidelines; and

(iii) in School Year 2026-2027, and all subsequent years has a household income that does not exceed five hundred percent of the federal poverty guidelines.

"Eligible student" does not include students participating in the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children's Fund program, as provided in Section 12-6-3790 or a student who is not subject to the compulsory attendance requirements of Section 59-65-10.

(O) "IDEA" means the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act found in 20 U.S.C. Section 1400, et seq.

(P) "Parent" means a resident of this State who is the natural or adoptive parent, legal guardian, custodian, or other person with legal authority to act on behalf of an eligible student.

(Q) "Education service provider" means a person or organization approved by the department that receives payments from ESTF to provide educational goods and services to scholarship students.

(R) "Program" means the ESTF program created by Section 59-8-110.

(S) "Resident school" means the public school in which the student is zoned for attendance.

(T) "Scholarship" means education funding allocated from an account established pursuant to 59-8-110.

(U) "Scholarship student" means an eligible student who is participating in the Education Scholarship Trust Fund program.

(V) "Scholarship misuse" means wilfully and knowingly receiving or spending any portion of a scholarship for any purpose other than a qualifying expense.

(W) "Trustee" means the individual or entity appointed by the State Superintendent of Education pursuant to Section 59-8-120(A)(2).

(X) "Qualifying expense" means:

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(a) tuition and fees for attendance at an education service provider or eligible school;

(b) textbooks, curriculum, or other instructional materials including, but not limited to, any supplemental materials or associated online instruction required by either a curriculum or an education service provider;

(c) tutoring services approved by the department;

(d) computer hardware or other technological devices that are used primarily for a scholarship student's educational needs and approved by the department or a licensed physician;

(e) tuition and fees for an approved online education service provider or course;

(f) fees approved:

(1) national norm-reference examinations, advanced placement examinations, or similar assessments;

(2) industry certifications exams; or

(3) examinations related to college or university admissions;

(g) educational services for pupils with disabilities from a licensed or accredited practitioner or provider including, but not limited to, occupational, behavioral, physical, and speech-language therapies;

(h) approved contracted services from a public school district, or a public charter school including individual classes, after school tutoring services, transportation, or fees or costs associated with participation in extracurricular activities;

(i) contracted teaching services and education classes designed to supplement a student's learning program provided by an eligible school and approved by the department;

(j) fees for transportation paid to a fee-for-service transportation provider for the scholarship student to travel to and from an eligible provider as defined in this section, but not to exceed three thousand dollars for each school year;

(k) fees for interdistrict public school transfers;

(l) cost of school uniforms which are required for attendance; or

(m) any consumables and items necessary to complete a curriculum or that are otherwise applicable to a course of study that has been approved by the department.

(Y) A qualifying expense does not mean a duplicate service already offered as part of a student's enrollment in school. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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Rep. COLLINS explained the amendment.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. LONG raised the rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 127 was not germane.

Rep. COLLINS argued contra.

Reps. HUFF and FRANK argued in favor of the point.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. COBB-HUNTER proposed the following Amendment No. 108 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\004\estf reporting.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, page 309, after line 33, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(SDE: ESTF Report) The Education Scholarship Trust Fund (ESTF) program shall not be expanded until the General Assembly receives the report required pursuant to Section 59-8-115. Any funds appropriated for the ESTF program that remain unexpended at the end of the fiscal year must be remitted to the department and shall be reallocated for use in the State Aid to Classrooms program.

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. ERICKSON raised the rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 108 was not germane.

Rep. Collins argued contra.

The SPEAKER overruled the Point of Order.

Rep. COLLINS explained the amendment.

Rep. COLLINS spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. LONG spoke against the amendment.

Rep. COBB-HUNTER spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. COBB-HUNTER spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. LONG moved to table the amendment.

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Rep. COBB-HUNTER demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 74; Nays 39

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bannister	Beach	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Burns	Bustos	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gilliam	Gilreath	Guest
Haddon	Hager	Hartnett
Hartz	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Huff	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
Kilmartin	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	McCabe	McCrary
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell
T. Moore	Morgan	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--74**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bamberg	Bauer	Bernstein
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
Dillard	Ford	Garvin
Gatch	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guffey	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Hosey	J. L. Johnson

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Jones	King	Kirby
Luck	Martin	McDaniel
J. Moore	Moss	Reese
Rivers	Rose	Rutherford
Scott	Stavrinakis	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Williams

**Total--39**

So, the amendment was tabled.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. ERICKSON raised the rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Proviso 1.116 was not germane.

Rep. COLLINS argued contra.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order and ruled Proviso 1.116 out of order.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 106; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman

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Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	McCabe	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	D. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Scott
Sessions	M. M. Smith	Taylor
Terribile	Vaughan	Weeks
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
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**Total--106**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 1, as amended, was adopted.

**SECTION 14**

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 115; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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

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Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Ford	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	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
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	McCabe	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
D. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	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**

Section 14 was adopted.

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SECTION 19

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	Bannister
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	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	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	McCravy	McDaniel
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terrible	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White

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Whitmire  
Willis

Wickensimer  
Wooten

Williams  
Yow

**Total--114**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 19 was adopted.

**SECTION 25--ADOPTED**

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 107 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\012\tri county tech system .docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 25, STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL & COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION, page 361, after line 2, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (TECH: Tri-County Technical School) The State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education Shall reduce the amount of recurring funds appropriated to Tri-County Technical School to \$1. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. WETMORE raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 107 was not germane.

SPEAKER SMITH overruled the Point of Order.

Rep. CROMER continued speaking.

Rep. CROMER spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. HIOTT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 83; Nays 26

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Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Bailey
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
Cox	Davis	Dillard
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Landing	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	J. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pope	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Schuessler	Scott
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Wooten	

**Total--83**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Ballentine	Beach	Burns
Chumley	Cromer	Duncan
Edgerton	Ford	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCabe	McCrary	D. Mitchell
T. Moore	Morgan	Oremus

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Pace Rankin M. M. Smith  
Terrible White

**Total--26**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. MCCRAVY spoke against the Section.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 115; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Ford
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	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	McCabe
McCraVY	McDaniel	McGinnis

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C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
M. M. Smith	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**

Section 25 was adopted.

#### **SECTION 27--ADOPTED**

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 100 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\004\prohibiassocmem.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 27, STATE LIBRARY, page 362, after line 12, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(LIB: Statewide Prohibition on Required Association Membership) For the current fiscal year, state agency, institution of higher education, school district, or political subdivision may require membership in, certification through, or training provided by the South Carolina Association of School Libraries (SCASL), the American Library Association (ALA), or any affiliated organization as a condition of employment, licensure, contract eligibility, or professional advancement if any portion of the cost is funded with state appropriations. /*

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. WETMORE raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 100 was not germane.

SPEAKER SMITH sustained the Point of Order.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 101; Nays 13

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Govan
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	King
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Magnuson
Martin	McCrary	McDaniel
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor

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Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--101**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Cromer	Edgerton
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Pace	Terrible
White		

**Total--13**

Section 27 was adopted.

### SECTION 33--ADOPTED

Rep. HARRIS proposed the following Amendment No. 106 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\006\dhhs medicaid residency.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 33, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, page 383, after line 18, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(DHHS: Medicaid Residency Requirement) No funds shall be appropriated to the department for any person or parent applying for Medicaid services unless the applicant proves he or she is a tlegal resident of the state of South Carolina or meets residency status criteria. The department must require an adult to produce one of the following valid and current/unexpired forms of identification of the adult:*

*(a) South Carolina driver's license;*

*(b) other form of identification containing a photograph issued by the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles;*

*(c) United States passport;*

*(d) military identification containing a photograph issued by the United States government; or*

*(e) South Carolina voter registration card containing a photograph of the voter pursuant to Section [7-5-675](#)./*

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. HARRIS explained the amendment.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. WETMORE raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 106 was not germane.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON proposed the following Amendment No. 122 (Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\5126C007.JN.SA26.DOCX), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 33, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, page 383, after line 18, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (DHHS: Medicaid) (A) During the current fiscal year, the State shall expand the Medicaid Program, pursuant to the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, P.L. 111-148 OF, as amended, by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (ACA), in order to provide coverage to adults age nineteen through sixty-four and families with income at or below one hundred and thirty-three percent of the federal poverty level (FPL), which includes a five percent income disregard, equating to income at or below one hundred thirty-eight percent of the federal poverty level (FPL).

(b) The Department of Administration is directed to provide any and all necessary increased authorization related to the medicaid expansion. The Department of Administration also is authorized to expend funds necessary to implement the provisions of this proviso. Furthermore, the Department of Health and Human Services is directed to take any and all necessary steps to implement the Medicaid expansion, as provided for in subsection (A), and must be the lead agency for implementation. the Department of Health and Human Services is authorized to seek assistance from any state or federal agencies or entities in order to implement the program, and all state agencies or entities shall provide assistance as requested by the Department of Health and Human Services. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. J. L. JOHNSON explained the amendment.

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**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. CASKEY raised the Rule 5.3.b.1 Point of Order that Amendment 122 was not germane.

SPEAKER SMITH sustained the Point of Order. The question then recurred to the adoption of the Section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 87; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bauer
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Chapman	Chumley
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilreath	Grant
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Magnuson	McCabe
McDaniel	McGinnis	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Reese	Rivers
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--87**

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Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 33 was adopted.

**SECTION 38--ADOPTED**

Rep. MCCABE proposed the following Amendment No. 105 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\006\dss group home.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 38, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, page 395, after line 15, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(DSS: Residential Group Care Assignment)*

*(A) Of the funds appropriated in this act for the Department of Social Services for group homes, any Residential Group Care Organization, including but not limited to group homes, residential treatment facilities, or foster care placements, that receives state funding shall assign youth to housing units, sleeping quarters, and other sex-specific facilities based strictly upon the individual's anatomical sex at birth as recognized on their original birth certificate.*

*(B) No state funds shall be expended to any Residential Group Care Organization that fails to comply with this provision. The department shall be responsible for monitoring compliance and enforcing this requirement, including through the suspension or termination of funding for noncompliant organizations.*

*(C) Any organization found to be in violation of this proviso shall be ineligible for state funding for a period of no less than one fiscal year following the determination of noncompliance.*

*(D) This proviso does not prohibit the placement of youth in single-occupancy accommodations or other arrangements deemed necessary for the safety and well-being of the youth, provided such accommodations do not violate the anatomical sex-based assignment requirement set forth in this section./*

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. MCCABE explained the amendment.

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**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. BAUER raised the Rule 5.3.b.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 105 was not germane.

SPEAKER SMITH sustained the Point of Order.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 90; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bauer
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Chapman	Chumley
Clyburn	Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Govan
Grant	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kilmartin
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	McCabe
McDaniel	McGinnis	D. Mitchell
J. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
Taylor	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Wetmore	White

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Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--90**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 38 was adopted.

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**SECTION 48**

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 101; Nays 14

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Hager	Hardee
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
Kilmartin	King	Kirby
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell

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J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pedalino	Pope	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--101**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	McCabe
D. Mitchell	Morgan	Pace
Terribile	White	

**Total--14**

Section 48 was adopted.

**SECTION 55--ADOPTED**

Rep. BUSTOS proposed the following Amendment No. 4 to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\pfasdatabase.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 55, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, page 421, after line 4, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(DES: PFAS Sampling and Reporting) In order to protect public health, drinking water, and crops from toxic per- and poly-fluoralkyl (PFAS), the Department of Environmental Services (DES) shall use appropriated funds and its existing authority under the Pollution Control Act and federal Clean Water Act to require any individual or entity seeking to land-apply sludge or biosolids to conduct sampling of such materials for PFAS and report the results to DES before land applying any such materials. DES shall establish and maintain an online*

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database where the public can view and reported PFAS results with proposed or actual land application sites on an interactive map./

Renumber sections to conform.  
Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. BUSTOS explained the amendment.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. HADDON raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 55 was not germane.

Rep. Bustos argued contra.  
ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:  
Yeas 93; Nays 1

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bauer
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Chapman	Chumley	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guffey
Haddon	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
D. Mitchell	J. Moore	Morgan

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Moss	Neese	B. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Teeple	Terribile
Vaughan	Waters	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--93**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Gilreath

**Total--1**

Section 55 was adopted.

**SECTION 57--ADOPTED**

Rep. EDGERTON proposed the following Amendment No. 2 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\strikefamilycourtjudges\proviso.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 57, JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, page 423, paragraph 57.23, lines 8 - 9, by striking the proviso in its entirety.

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. EDGERTON explained the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY moved to table the amendment.

Rep. EDGERTON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 96; Nays 19

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Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McCabe	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Wooten	Yow

**Total--96**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Haddon	Howard
Huff	Kilmartin	Lastinger

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Magnuson	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Sanders	Terrible
White		

**Total--19**

So, the amendment was tabled.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

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	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Garvin	Gibson
Gilliam	Gilliard	Gilreath
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Hardee
Harris	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
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	McCabe
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
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Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teepie
Terrible	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	White
Whitmire	Wickensimer	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--117**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 57 was adopted.

**SECTION 59--ADOPTED**

Rep. MCCRAVY proposed the following Amendment No. 109 (Doc Name COUNCIL\DG\5126C003.CC.DG26.DOCX), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 59, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, page 426, after line 11, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (AG: Abortion-inducing drug enforcement) (A) From the funds appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General for personnel, the Office must fund an FTE position with an annual salary of \$83,792 by hiring an individual whose job description includes investigating and assisting in the prosecution of violations of South Carolina law relating to the unlawful importation, distribution, or sale of abortion-inducing drugs. Funding for this position must first come from amounts appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General to fund FTE positions that remain otherwise vacant.

(B) Enforcement activities conducted pursuant to this proviso may include investigations relating to violations of South Carolina law involving: (1) the practice of medicine without a license issued by the

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South Carolina Board of Medical Examiners, including the prescribing or dispensing of abortion-inducing drugs by persons not licensed to practice medicine in this State; and (2) failure to comply with physician disclosure, examination, and procedural requirements applicable to abortion under South Carolina law, including those enacted in the Fetal Heartbeat and Protection from Abortion Act.

(C) The Attorney General's Office may coordinate with the State Law Enforcement Division, circuit solicitors, local law enforcement agencies, and appropriate state and federal authorities in carrying out the responsibilities set forth in this proviso.

(D) By June 30, 2027, the Attorney General shall submit a report to the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee detailing activities conducted pursuant to this proviso, including investigations initiated, referrals for prosecution, and coordination with other law enforcement agencies.

(E) Nothing in this proviso shall be construed to create a new criminal offense or to modify existing substantive law. The provisions of this section are intended solely to direct the use of funds appropriated in this act for enforcement of existing South Carolina law./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

#### **POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. WETMORE raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment 109 was not germane.

Rep. MCCRAVY argued contra.

Rep. CALHOON spoke in favor of the Point.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order. He stated that the principal effect was to hire an employee to carry out specific duties and responsibilities and did meet the germaneness standard of Rule 5.3.B.1.

#### **MOTION TO APPEAL RULING OF ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT TABLED**

Rep. MCCRAVY appealed the Ruling of ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT and the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* was called to the chair to acting as Presiding officer.

Rep. LOWE moved to table the motion to appeal the ruling of ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT.

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Rep. LOWE demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 87; Nays 24

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gilliam	Gilliard	Govan
Grant	Guest	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	King
Kirby	Landing	Ligon
Lowe	Martin	McDaniel
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pope	Reese
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Williams
Willis	Wooten	Yow

**Total--87**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Bowers	Burns
Chumley	Cromer	Edgerton
Ford	Frank	Gibson

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Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCabe	McCrary	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Oremus	Pace
Rankin	Terribile	White

**Total--24**

So, the motion to appeal the Ruling of the ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT was tabled.

**ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT IN CHAIR**

Reps. PACE and CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 128 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\012\privacy in public spaces.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 59, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, page 426, after line 11, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (AG: Privacy in Public Spaces Policy) No funds appropriated or authorized pursuant to this act may be expended by any state agency, department, institution, or political subdivision of the State unless the entity has adopted and implemented a written Privacy in Public Spaces Policy. The policy must ensure that multi-occupancy restrooms, changing rooms, locker rooms, sleeping quarters, and other facilities where individuals may be in various states of undress are designated for use based on biological sex at birth.

Each agency shall certify compliance with this provision to the office of the attorney general prior to receiving any disbursement of funds appropriated in this act. The policy must include procedures for protecting the privacy and safety of individuals in these spaces and may provide reasonable accommodation through the use of single-occupancy facilities where available.

The OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL shall establish the reporting procedures necessary to implement this provision and shall withhold the distribution of appropriated funds to any agency that fails to certify compliance./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. WETMORE raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment 128 was not germane.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order and stated that consistent with prior rulings the Amendment was not germane.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 104; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Garvin	Gibson	Gilliard
Gilreath	Govan	Grant
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	Howard
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	Oremus
Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Reese	Rivers	Rose

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Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Williams
Willis	Yow	

**Total--104**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 59 was adopted.

**SECTION 70**

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 82; Nays 16

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bauer	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Bustos	Calhoon
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Gagnon
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. L. Johnson
Jones	King	Kirby
Landing	Lastinger	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Rankin

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Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Yow		

**Total--82**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Magnuson	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Pace	Terrible
White		

**Total--16**

Section 70 was adopted.

#### **RECORD FOR VOTING**

I inadvertently voted on H. 5126, Part 1B, Section 70, 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. Justin Bamberg

#### **SECTION 72--ADOPTED**

Reps. PACE and CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 60 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\007\data center utility rates.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 72, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, page 448, after line 21, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(PSC: Data Center Utility Rates) (A) For the current fiscal year, no funds appropriated or authorized to the Public Service Commission may be expended to approve a plan, rate schedule, tariff, rider, or other authorization for:*

*(1) a special or discounted utility rate for which the principal purpose*

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is to provide preferential pricing for a Data Center; or

(2) any agreement or contract for which the principal purpose is to provide electrical or water utility service to a Data Center at a rate lower than the standard applicable rate for the relevant customer class.

(B) For purposes of this proviso:

(1) "Data Center" means a facility for which the principal purpose is to house a network of computer servers and associated components used for the remote storage, processing, or distribution of large amounts of data, including facilities used for high-density computing or artificial intelligence processing.

(2) "Special or discounted utility rate" means any rate, tariff, or rider that provides a financial benefit or cost reduction not generally available to all other customers within the same industrial or commercial service class.

(3) "Standard applicable rate" means the cost-of-service based rate approved by the commission for the customer's specific load profile without the application of economic development incentives or discretionary discounts./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

#### POINT OF ORDER

Rep. CRAWFORD raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment 60 was not germane.

Rep. PACE argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT cited prior rulings and sustained the Point of Order.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

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
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Chumley	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter

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Cox	Crawford	Cromer
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Edgerton	Erickson	Ford
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
Howard	Huff	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
Martin	McCabe	McCrary
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
D. Mitchell	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Yow

**Total--114**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 72 was adopted.

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**RECORD FOR VOTING**

I inadvertently voted on H. 5126, Part 1B, Section 72, 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. Phillip Bowers

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT granted Rep. WHITE a temporary leave of absence.

**SECTION 82--ADOPTED**

Rep. J. MOORE proposed the following Amendment No. 116 (Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\5126C004.JN.SA26.DOCX), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 82, DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, page 458, after line 2, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (DMV: Disclosure of Personal Information) (A) In the current fiscal year, the Department of Motor Vehicles may not disclose an individual's personal information in response to a request that does not fall within one of the exceptions listed in 18 U.S.C. 2721(b) without the express consent of the individual to whom such personal information pertains.

(B) From the funds appropriated to the department, the department shall establish and carry out procedures under which the department, upon receiving a request for personal information that does not fall within one of the exceptions listed in 18 U.S.C. Section 2721(b), shall mail a copy of the request to the individual about whom the information was requested, informing such individual of the request, together with a statement to the effect that the information will not be released unless the individual waives his right to privacy under 18 U.S.C. Section 2721.

(C) For purposes of this proviso, "personal information" has the meaning provided in 18 U.S.C. Section 2725.

(D) The waiver procedures required under this proviso must be established and implemented by the Department of Motor Vehicles by September 1, 2026. The department shall notify the General Assembly in writing no later than September 1, 2026, that it has complied with this requirement and provide copies of the waiver procedures established under this proviso./

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend totals and titles to conform.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. FRANK raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 116 was not germane.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 106; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Chapman	Chumley
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Govan
Grant	Guffey	Hager
Hardee	Harris	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Magnuson	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese

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Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Taylor	Teeple
Terrible	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Yow		

**Total--106**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 82 was adopted.

**SECTION 84**

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 82; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Bauer	Beach
Bowers	Bradley	Bustos
Calhoon	Chapman	Chumley
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Frank	Gagnon
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guffey
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kilmartin	King
Landing	Lastinger	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Magnuson	McDaniel	McGinnis

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J. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Yow		

**Total--82**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 84 was adopted.

**RECORD FOR VOTING**

I inadvertently voted on H. 5126, Part 1B, Section 84, 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. Heath Sessions

**SECTION 102--ADOPTED**

Rep. HARRIS proposed the following Amendment No. 54 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\prohibitericparticipation.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 102, ELECTION COMMISSION, page 486, after line 17, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(ELECT: Prohibit ERIC Participation) For the current fiscal year, the State Election Commission is prohibited from using any funds appropriated or authorized to participate in the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC). Any funds designated for participation in ERIC must be used to defer the cost of providing free voter lists./*

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. WETMORE raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment 54 was not germane.

Rep. HARRIS argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order and cited a prior ruling on a nearly identical amendment that was ruled to be out of order.

Rep. HARRIS proposed the following Amendment No. 55 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\paperballots.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 102, ELECTION COMMISSION, page 486, after line 17, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/ (ELECT: Paper Ballot Requirement) No funds will be appropriated to the State Election Commission to:

(A) purchase any voting system that does not meet the following requirements:

(1) allow a voter to mark by hand a paper ballot;

(2) Prevent the counting of paper ballots by hand; and

(3) Require the use of tabulation equipment.

(B) Further, funds may only be used for the counting of paper ballots by hand without the use of tabulation equipment.

(C) Nothing in this provision may be construed as precluding the purchase of a voting system with features or components necessary to ensure compliance with other federal and state law requirements including, without limitation, at least one accessible voting system per polling place equipped for individuals with disabilities in accordance with 52 U.S.C. Section 21081 of the "Help America Vote Act of 2002."

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. CASKEY raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 55 was not germane.

Rep. MAGNUSON argued contra.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke in favor of the Point of Order.

Rep. MCCRAVY argued contra.

Rep. WILLIAMS spoke in favor of the Point of Order.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

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The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 97; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bauer
Beach	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Burns	Bustos
Calhoon	Chapman	Chumley
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Frank	Gagnon	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Govan
Grant	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Harris
Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
Howard	Huff	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Kilmartin	King
Kirby	Landing	Lastinger
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Magnuson	Martin
McCabe	McCrary	McDaniel
McGinnis	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

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Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 102 was adopted.

**SECTION 105**

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 116; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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

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Pace	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--116**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 105 was adopted.

**SECTION 108--AMENDED AND ADOPTED**

Reps. POPE, GILLIAM and WOOTEN proposed the following Amendment No. 114 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\porsreturntowork.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 108, PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY, page 496, paragraph 108.14, after line 25 and before line 26, by inserting a new paragraph to read:

*/FOR COMPENSATION EARNINGS DURING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, THE EARNINGS LIMITATION DOES NOT APPLY IF COMPENSATION RECEIVED BY THE RETIRED MEMBER FROM THE COVERED EMPLOYER IS FOR EMPLOYMENT IN A CRITICAL NEEDS LAW ENFORCEMENT POSITION AS DETERMINED BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL. FOR THIS PROVISION TO APPLY, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL MUST REVIEW AND APPROVE, FROM THE DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED BY THE COVERED EMPLOYER, THAT NO QUALIFIED, NONRETIRED MEMBER IS AVAILABLE FOR EMPLOYMENT IN THE POSITION, AND THAT THE MEMBER SELECTED FOR EMPLOYMENT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS PROVISION. NO LATER THAN JANUARY 1ST OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL*

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MUST SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE OF THE POSITIONS REQUESTED FOR INCLUSION IN THE EARNINGS LIMITATION EXCEPTION UNDER THIS PROVISION. THE EARNINGS LIMITATION EXCEPTION IN THIS PROVISION ONLY APPLIES TO THOSE POSITIONS APPROVED BY ACTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR IN RESPONSE TO THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL. THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL SHALL DEVELOP GUIDELINES AND CURRICULUM FOR THESE OFFICERS TO BE RECERTIFIED./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. POPE explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 116; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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

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Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	M. M. Smith	Stavrinnakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--116**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 108, as amended, was adopted.

**SECTION 113--ADOPTED**

Reps. PACE and Cromer proposed the following Amendment No. 29 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\008\sc first conditional.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 113, AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER, page 502, after line 26, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/113.X. (AS-TREAS: SC FIRST Conditional Release of Funds) All Institutions of Higher Learning receiving funds appropriated for SC FIRST pursuant to Proviso 117.149 shall provide an annual report to receive the funds. The report shall disclose the number of individuals

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currently employed by the institution who hold a H1B and/or OTP (Optional Practical Training) visa. Each institution shall submit the report to the Commission on Higher Education, the Executive Budget Office, the Comptroller General, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee no later than August 1, 2026. The State Treasurer shall not disburse any SC FIRST funds to an institution until the required report has been received by the Commission on Higher Education. The State Treasurer shall reduce the SC FIRST appropriation of each institution by \$120,000 for each employed individual holding an H-1B visa or OPT visa, as identified in the required report. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

### POINT OF ORDER

Rep. COBB-HUNTER raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment 29 was not germane.

Rep. PACE argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

### MOTION TO APPEAL RULING OF ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT TABLED

Rep. BEACH appealed the Ruling of ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT and the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* was called to the chair to acting as Presiding officer.

Rep. COBB-HUNTER moved to table the motion to appeal the ruling of ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT.

Rep. MAGNUSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 91; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter

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Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gilliam
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	King
Kirby	Landing	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McCabe	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Scott	Sessions	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Wetmore	Whitmire
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--91**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCrary	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terribile	White

**Total--18**

So, the motion to appeal the ruling of ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT was tabled.

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The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

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	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Burns	Bustos	Calhoon
Chapman	Chumley	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Cromer	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Edgerton	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Frank
Gagnon	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Gilreath	Govan
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Harris	Hartz
Hayes	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	Howard	Huff
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Kilmartin	King	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Magnuson
McCabe	McCrary	McDaniel
McGinnis	J. Moore	T. Moore
Morgan	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Rose	Rutherford	Scott
Sessions	Taylor	Teeple
Terribile	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--95**

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Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 113 was adopted.

**RECORD FOR VOTING**

I inadvertently voted on H. 5126, Part 1B, Section 113. I should have abstained.

Rep. JA Moore

**SECTION 117--AMENDED AND ADOPTED**

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 5 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\011\refugee resettlement.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 534, paragraph 117.104, lines 26-27, by amending the proviso to read:

/No state funds shall be expended to assist in the United States Refugee Resettlement Program ~~unless the county council of the county where the resettlement is to occur approves the relocation.~~

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. WETMORE raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 5 was not germane.

Rep. PACE argued contra and started the Amendment simply deleted language from a Proviso.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT overruled the Point of Order.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 79; Nays 36

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg

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Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Hardee	Hartnett
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Holman
Hosey	Howard	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Landing	Ligon
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	J. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
Whitmire	Williams	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--79**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Bowers	Burns
Chapman	Chumley	Cromer
Edgerton	Ford	Forrest
Gibson	Gilreath	Guffey
Haddon	Hager	Harris
Hartz	Hixon	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Long
Magnuson	McCabe	McCrary
C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Oremus	Pace	Sanders

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M. M. Smith  
White

Taylor  
Wickensimer

Terrible  
Willis

**Total--36**

So, the amendment was tabled.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. HARRIS raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Proviso 117.201 was not germane.

Rep. HADDON argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. MAGNUSON raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Proviso 117.13 was not germane.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT overruled the Point of Order. He stated that prior precedent of Speaker *Pro Tempore* ruled that Proviso from the previously enacted budget bill was automatically germane.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. EDGERTON raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Proviso 117.198 was not germane.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. HIXON proposed the following Amendment No. 3 to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\cityofnorthaugustaprimaries.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(GP: City of North Augusta Primaries) For the current fiscal year, the City of North Augusta may use interest accrued from any Savannah River Site Litigation Settlement Funds to pay the costs of any election primaries held within it's jurisdiction through the 2026 calendar year. The State Election Commission and/or the Aiken County Board of Voter Registration & Elections as appropriate shall ensure compliance with this provision and if the City of North Augusta is in violation, shall notify the State Treasurer's Office, which shall withhold the City of North Augusta's portion of the Aid to Subdivisions, Local Government Fund./*

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. HIXON explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. MAGNUSON proposed the following Amendment No. 26 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\006\gp conception, heartbeat.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: Conception) (A) The Department of Public Health and the Department of Health and Human Services must create pamphlets and signage informing Medicaid patients that life begins at conception and that state law restricts the performance of an abortion on a pregnant woman once an unborn child's fetal heartbeat has been detected.

(B) Printed material should explain that unborn children at twenty weeks gestation and beyond are fully capable of feeling pain, the right of a woman seeking an abortion to ask for and receive anesthesia to alleviate or eliminate pain to the fetus during an abortion procedure, and that anesthesia provided to a woman for an abortion typically offers little pain prevention for the unborn child./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. MAGNUSON explained the amendment.

#### POINT OF ORDER

Rep. WETMORE raised the rule 5.3.B 1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 26 was not germane.

Rep. Magnuson argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

Reps. PACE, WHITE and CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 57 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\007\ctc funding increase.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: "C" Fund Allocation) For the current fiscal year, the amount of the user fee on gasoline and clear diesel allocated to the "C" Fund

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pursuant to Section 12-28-2740 shall be increased from three and ninety-nine hundredths cents per gallon to five and ninety-nine hundredths cents per gallon./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

#### POINT OF ORDER

Rep. CRAWFORD raised the rule 5.3.B 1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 57 was not germane.

Rep. PACE argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. PEDALINO proposed the following Amendment No. 53 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\3rdcircuitdrugcourt.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: Third Circuit Drug Court Administration) For the current fiscal year, all funds appropriated or authorized for the Drug Court for the Third Judicial Circuit shall be transferred to the Solicitor's Office for the Third Judicial Circuit. The Solicitor's Office shall oversee the distribution and usage of these funds by the Drug Court program and shall ensure the amount utilized for the salary of the drug court judge shall not exceed \$30,000 in total./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PEDALINO explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Reps. PACE, CROMER and GILREATH proposed the following Amendment No. 58 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\007\c fund system requirement.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: State Highway System Expenditures) The requirements of Section 12-28-2740(C) pertaining to "C" Fund expenditures on the

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State Highway System shall be suspended for the current fiscal year./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. CRAWFORD moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 89 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\despreviousfy.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: DES Budget Reversion) For the current fiscal year, the Executive Budget Office is directed to revert Part 1A, Section 55, Department of Environmental Services, to the line item amounts and corresponding line titles as appropriated in Act 69 of 2025, the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Appropriations Act. The Executive Budget Office is authorized and directed to make all necessary technical and accounting adjustments in the South Carolina Enterprise Information System (SCEIS) to ensure the agency's budget structure and funding levels conform to this provision. Any surplus created by this reversion shall be remitted to the General Fund./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CASKEY moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Reps. CROMER and PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 101 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\firststepslawfulpresenceverification.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: First Steps Lawful Presence Verification) Funds appropriated

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in this act for the South Carolina First Steps to School Readiness initiative may be used only for services provided to individuals who are lawfully present in the United States. Funds appropriated in this act may not be used to enroll or provide services to any individual until lawful presence has been verified. Prior to the expenditure of funds appropriated in this act, the Office of First Steps to School Readiness and any entity administering First Steps programs, including any sub-recipient, contractor, or partner entity, shall verify lawful presence in accordance with verification procedures established by the State Treasurer's Office. Failure to verify lawful presence prior to enrollment shall constitute misuse of funds appropriated in this act. Funds appropriated in this act may not be distributed to any provider that fails to comply with the verification procedures required by this provision. The State Treasurer's Office may review program expenditures to ensure compliance with this provision. If the Treasurer determines that funds appropriated in this act have been used to provide services to individuals who are not lawfully present in the United States, the Treasurer shall require repayment of the misspent funds and may withhold future distributions of state funds to the responsible entity until repayment has been satisfied./

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

#### POINT OF ORDER

Rep. COLLINS Raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 101 was not germane.

Rep. CROMER argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. KING proposed the following Amendment No. 103 to (Doc Name COUNCIL\SA\5126C006.JN.SA26.DOCX), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered paragraph to read:

/ (GP: Mental Health Study Committee) (A) There is created a study committee to examine the state of mental health of South Carolina residents including, but not limited to, trends in mental health treatment and diagnoses, the availability of mental health services, the use of telemedicine, prescribing practice trends, rates of voluntary or

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involuntary hospital commitment due to mental illness or due to a chemical dependency to alcohol or other drugs, job loss or other employment trends associated with mental illness or mental disorders, and rates of suicide or overdose.

(B) The study committee shall provide a report that:

(1) addresses the areas of examination set forth in subsection (A); and

(2) makes recommendations for legislative, regulatory, or policy changes to address any identified trends associated with the state of mental health of South Carolina residents.

(C)(1) The study committee must be composed of fourteen members, consisting of:

(a) one member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(b) one member of the Senate, appointed by the chair of the Senate Medical Affairs Committee;

(c) one member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(d) one member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the chair of the House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee;

(e) the Director of the Office of Mental Health, or a designee;

(f) the Director of the Office of Substance Use Services, or a designee;

(g) the Chief of SLED, or a designee with law enforcement experience related to involuntary commitment or other mental health crises;

(h) a probate judge, appointed by the Chief Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court;

(i) a circuit solicitor or judge with drug court experience, appointed by the Chief Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court;

(j) the National Association of Mental Illness South Carolina Board President, or a designee;

(k)(i) two psychiatrists, psychologists, or other mental health counselors with relevant professional experience who treat adults, appointed by the Governor, upon recommendation of an appropriate professional licensing board, one of whom must provide services predominantly to patients in rural communities of the State or to Medicaid patients; and

(ii) two psychiatrists, psychologists, or other mental health counselors with relevant professional experience who treat children and

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adolescents, appointed by the Governor, upon recommendation of an appropriate professional licensing board, one of whom must provide services predominantly to patients in rural communities of the State or to Medicaid patients.

(2) A vacancy in the membership of the study committee must be filled in the manner of original appointment.

(3) Members of the committee shall serve without per diem, mileage, or other compensation generally provided to members of boards and commissions.

(D)(1) The Senate Medical Affairs Committee and the House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Committee shall provide appropriate staffing for the study committee.

(2) The study committee may obtain data or other information from state agencies that is relevant to the purposes of this study committee, including from the Department of Public Health, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Department of Employment and Workforce; provided, however, only aggregated data with no personally identifiable data may be obtained by the study committee. Any state agency that receives a request pursuant to this proviso shall respond promptly and provide the requested data or other information.

(3) The House of Representatives and the Senate each may expend funds appropriated to their respective operating budgets, not to exceed five thousand dollars for each chamber, to support the work of the study committee.

(E) The study committee shall provide a report with findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by July 1, 2027. The study committee shall dissolve upon providing its report to the General Assembly or on July 1, 2027, whichever occurs first. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. KING explained the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment which was agreed to.

Reps. CROMER and PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 113 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\012\prohibition of state funds for dei.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately

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numbered proviso to read:

/(GP: State Funds for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) (A) Funds appropriated in this act may not be used directly or indirectly by any state agency, department, institution of higher education, board, commission, or political subdivision to establish, operate, maintain, fund, administer, promote, support, or staff any office, division, program, policy, or training related to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), or any substantially similar initiative regardless of the title or terminology used.

(B) Funds appropriated in this act may not be used to enter into, renew, maintain, or fund any contract, grant, memorandum of understanding, cooperative agreement, or partnership with any public or private entity that provides, promotes, or implements Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) programs, policies, practices, or trainings.

(C) Funds appropriated in this act may not be used for salaries, benefits, operational expenses, programming, or activities of any employee, contractor, office, or position whose primary duties include administering, promoting, coordinating, or implementing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion initiatives.

(D) For purposes of this proviso, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion includes any program, policy, training, or initiative that:

(1) Promotes preferential or differential treatment based on race, sex, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, or other identity characteristics;

(2) Requires participation in identity-based ideological training, diversity statements, or statements of belief; or

(3) Seeks to achieve demographic quotas, equity outcomes, or identity-based representation rather than equal treatment under the law.

(E) Each agency or institution receiving funds in this act shall certify annually to the Executive Budget Office that funds appropriated in this act are not being used directly or indirectly in violation of this proviso.

(F) If the Executive Budget Office determines that funds appropriated in this act have been expended in violation of this proviso, the amount expended must be withheld from future disbursements or reverted to the General Fund.

(G) Funds appropriated in this act may not be used to retaliate against an employee, contractor, or student who reports a suspected violation of this proviso to the Executive Budget Office, the State Inspector General, or the State Treasurer./

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. KING spoke against the amendment.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. MCDANIEL raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No.113 was not germane.

Rep. CROMER argued contra.

ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT sustained the Point of Order.

Reps. BALLENTINE and PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 129 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\vacantfteremoval.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 572, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/(GP: Administration of Vacant Positions) Any full-time equivalent (FTE) position in an agency that has been vacant for more than twelve months as of October 31 of the current fiscal year must be deleted by the Department of Administration upon approval by the State Fiscal Accountability Authority. Each agency is allowed to retain a five (5) percent vacancy factor based on the total number of authorized positions or a minimum of ten (10) positions, whichever is greater. Positions that have been posted and/or in the hiring process shall not be deleted. This proviso does not supersede proviso 57.15 or proviso 91.23./*

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. BALLENTINE explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 121; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg

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Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Ford	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	Howard
Huff	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Landing
Lastinger	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pace	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Terrible	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

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Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

Section 117, as amended, was adopted.

**SECTION 118--AMENDED AND ADOPTED**

Reps. CROMER and PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 52 (Doc Name H:\LEGWORK\HOUSE\AMEND\H-WM\012\USC UPSTATE REGIONAL HOSPITALITY.DOCX), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 589, paragraph 118.21, line 32, by striking: / (b) Regional Hospitality and Tourism \$ 6,000,000; /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. PACE moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Reps. PACE and CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 17 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\scdahexhibit hall.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 591, paragraph 118.21, line 12, by striking: / (b) SCDAH Exhibit Hall and Meeting Space Expansion: \$2,000,000; /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 88; Nays 26

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Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	King
Kirby	Landing	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Pope	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
Whitmire	Williams	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--88**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Cromer
Edgerton	Ford	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Lawson	Magnuson
McCabe	McCrary	D. Mitchell

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Morgan	Oremus	Pace
Rankin	Terrible	White
Wickensimer	Willis	

**Total--26**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 18 to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sgcnonrecurring.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 592, paragraph 118.21, lines 16-17, by striking the lines in their entirety.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

Rep. CROMER spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 90; Nays 25

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Erickson	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Haddon	Hager	Hardee

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Hartnett	Hartz	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson
Jones	Jordan	King
Kirby	Landing	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pope
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Wooten	Yow

**Total--90**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Bowers	Burns
Cromer	Duncan	Edgerton
Ford	Frank	Gilreath
Guffey	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Lawson
Magnuson	McCravy	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Pace	Rankin
Sanders	Terrible	Vaughan
White		

**Total--25**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. HARRIS proposed the following Amendment No. 56 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\009\strikevotingsystemupgrade.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 594, paragraph 118, line 35, by

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striking: / ~~(b) Statewide Voting System Upgrade \$10,587,378; /~~  
Renumber sections to conform.  
Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. HARRIS explained the amendment.

Rep. KING moved to table the amendment.

Rep. MAGNUSON demanded the yeas and nays which were taken,  
resulting as follows:

Yeas 94; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bannister	Bauer
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Calhoon
Caskey	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	Moss	Neese
B. Newton	W. Newton	Oremus
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis

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Taylor	Teeple	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--94**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe
McCravy	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terribile	White

**Total--18**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 19 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\beachelim.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 592, paragraph 118.21, line 19, by striking the line in its entirety.

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS spoke against the amendment.

Rep. ANDERSON moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 105; Nays 14

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg

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

**Total--105**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Kilmartin

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McCabe  
Terribile

D. Mitchell  
White

Pace

**Total--14**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 20 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\dstmgelim.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 592, paragraph 118.21, line 20, by striking the line in its entirety.

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. KING spoke against the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 95; Nays 20

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Bamberg	Bannister	Bauer
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman

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Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Jordan
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Schuessler	Scott	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--95**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Ford
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	Lastinger
Magnuson	McCabe	McCrary
D. Mitchell	Morgan	Pace
Terribile	White	

**Total--20**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 23 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sptmarketingelim.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 592, paragraph 118.21, line 23, by striking the line in its entirety.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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Rep. CROMER explained the amendment.

Rep. KING moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 90; Nays 22

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon
Holman	Hosey	J. E. Johnson
J. L. Johnson	Jordan	King
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	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	Bowers	Burns
Chumley	Cromer	Edgerton
Ford	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe
McCrary	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Oremus	Pace	Terrible
White		

**Total--22**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. CROMER proposed the following Amendment No. 21 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\leisureelim.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 592, paragraph 118.21, line 21, by striking the line in its entirety.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. STAVRINAKIS moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 97; Nays 20

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain

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

**Total--97**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Ford
Frank	Gilreath	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	Lastinger
Magnuson	McCabe	McCrary

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D. Mitchell                      Morgan                      Pace  
Terribile                        White

**Total--20**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Reps. PACE, CROMER and WHITE proposed the following Amendment No. 24 (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sam's spit elim.docx), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 594, paragraph 118.21, line 23, by striking the line in its entirety.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. PACE spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. BANNISTER spoke against the amendment.

Rep. WHITE spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. RUTHERFORD spoke upon the amendment.

Rep. BANNISTER moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 73; Nays 32

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Cox	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Gagnon
Garvin	Gilliam	Gilliard
Grant	Guest	Guffey
Haddon	Hardee	Hartz

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Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	J. E. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	Kirby	Lawson
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Wetmore
Whitmire	Williams	Willis
Yow		

**Total--73**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chapman
Cromer	Edgerton	Ford
Frank	Gatch	Gibson
Gilreath	Hager	Harris
Huff	Kilmartin	King
Landing	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCabe	McCravy	McDaniel
D. Mitchell	Morgan	Oremus
Pace	Rankin	Reese
Sanders	M. M. Smith	Teepie
Terribile	White	

**Total--32**

So, the amendment was tabled.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 94; Nays 17

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Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Bustos
Calhoon	Caskey	Chapman
Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter	Collins
Cox	Crawford	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Erickson
Ford	Forrest	Gagnon
Garvin	Gatch	Gibson
Gilliam	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Hewitt
Hiott	Hixon	Holman
Hosey	J. E. Johnson	Jordan
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	White	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Yow		

**Total--94**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Bowers	Burns	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe

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McCravy  
Pace

D. Mitchell  
Terrible

Morgan

**Total--17**

Section 118, as amended, was adopted.

**SECTION 92D--AMENDED AND ADOPTED**

Rep. WHITE proposed the following Amendment No. 83 to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sam's spit review.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 92D, OFFICE OF RESILIENCE, page 470, after line 29, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/Prior to the expenditure of any funds for the settlement of litigation or acquisition of property related to Captain Sam's Spit, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority shall obtain an independent legal and financial analysis from a nationally recognized law firm or public policy institution. The analysis must evaluate the litigation risk to the State, the valuation of the property, and the financial terms of the proposed settlement. The completed analysis must be submitted to the General Assembly and made publicly available prior to any expenditure of funds authorized in this act./*

Re-number sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. WHITE explained the amendment.

**SPEAKER IN CHAIR**

Rep. WHITE continued speaking.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. STAVRINAKIS raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 83 was not germane.

Rep. WHITE spoke contra.

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The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. WHITE proposed the following Amendment No. 84 to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sam's spit report.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 92D, OFFICE OF RESILIENCE, page 470, after line 29, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/Prior to the expenditure of any funds for settlement of litigation or acquisition of property related to Captain Sam's Spit, the administering agency shall submit a report to the General Assembly detailing: (1) the legal basis for the settlement; (2) the estimated litigation exposure to the State; (3) the valuation methodology used to determine the purchase price; and (4) any alternative options considered by the State. No funds authorized in this act may be expended until the report has been submitted and made publicly available./*

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

#### **POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. STAVRINAKIS raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 84 was not germane.

Rep. WHITE spoke contra.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. WHITE proposed the following Amendment No. 81 to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sam's spit sunset.docx), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 92D, OFFICE OF RESILIENCE, page 470, after line 29, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/Any funds appropriated or authorized in this act for the acquisition of property or settlement of litigation related to Captain Sam's Spit shall expire at the end of the fiscal year and may not be carried forward or reauthorized without the approval of the General Assembly through subsequent legislation./*

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

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**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. STAVRINAKIS raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 81 was not germane.

Rep. WHITE spoke contra.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

Rep. WHITE explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. WHITE proposed the following Amendment No. 82 to (Doc Name h:\legwork\house\amend\h-wm\010\sam's spit use of funds prohib.docx), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 92D, OFFICE OF RESILIENCE, page 470, after line 29, by adding an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

*/Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, none of the funds appropriated, authorized, or otherwise made available in this act may be used for the acquisition of property or the settlement of litigation related to Captain Sam's Spit unless such expenditure is specifically authorized by a separate act of the General Assembly enacted after the effective date of this act./*

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend totals and titles to conform.

Rep. WHITE explained the amendment.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. STAVRINAKIS raised the Rule 5.3.B.1 Point of Order that Amendment No. 82 was not germane.

Rep. WHITE spoke contra.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

The question then recurred to the adoption of the section.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 105; Nays 13

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg

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

**Total--105**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Gibson	Gilreath
Harris	Kilmartin	McCrary

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D. Mitchell  
White

Morgan

Pace

**Total--13**

Section 92D, as amended, was adopted.

**STATEMENT BY REP. BANNISTER**

Rep. BANNISTER gave notice of offering amendments on third reading if necessary, pursuant to Rule 9.2.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. BANNISTER moved to table all pending motions to reconsider, which was agreed to.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 101; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Davis	Dillard
Duncan	Erickson	Ford
Forrest	Gagnon	Garvin
Gatch	Gibson	Gilliam
Gilliard	Govan	Grant
Guest	Guffey	Haddon
Hager	Hardee	Hartnett
Hartz	Hayes	Henderson-Myers
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon

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Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	J. Moore	T. Moore
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pedalino
Pope	Rankin	Reese
Rivers	Robbins	Rose
Rutherford	Sanders	Schuessler
Scott	Sessions	G. M. Smith
M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis	Taylor
Teeple	Vaughan	Waters
Weeks	Wetmore	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--101**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Chumley	Cromer
Edgerton	Frank	Gilreath
Harris	Huff	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe
McCrary	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terrible	White

**Total--18**

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. 5126. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Chris Hart

**ABSTENTION FROM VOTING  
H. 5126--General Appropriations Bill**

In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal

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Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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

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individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. Justin Bamberg

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 72 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL

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

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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. Bruce Bannister

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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

**31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

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).

Rep. Heather Bauer

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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

**31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

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- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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. Beth Bernstein

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or

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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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**72 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**73 OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF**

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)**.

Rep. Phillip Bowers

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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

**8 EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION**

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)**.

Rep. Jeffrey Bradley

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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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- 23 MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
- 50 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
- 51 JOBS- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 85 INFRASTRUCTURE BANK BOARD
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 107 CAPITAL RESERVE FUND
- 108 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY
- 112 DEBT SERVICE
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS – STATE TREASURER

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)**.

Rep. Gary Brewer

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
- 1A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION- EIA- PART IB ONLY
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

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- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING &  
REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER

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. Case Brittain, Jr.

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

**Agency Name**

- 60 PROSECUTION COORDINATION COMMISSION**
- 62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION**
- 93 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION**

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)**.

Rep. Paula Calhoon

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE**
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**
- 82 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES**
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

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. Micah Caskey

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 45 CLEMSON UNIVERSITY - PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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

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which I am associated may be affected in violation of S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B).

Rep. Bill Chumley

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

**57 JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT**

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).

Rep. Bill Clyburn

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 41 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN’S ADVOCACY**
- 45 CLEMSON UNIVERSITY – PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES**
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OFFICE**
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE**

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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)**.

Rep. Gilda Cobb-Hunter

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 4 EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**
- 26 DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES & HISTORY**
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION**
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY**
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is [check applicable reasons(s):

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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. Neal Collins

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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

**16 COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY**

**113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER**

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)**.

Rep. Heather Crawford

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

**Agency Name**

- 9 GOVERNOR’S SCHOOL FOR ARTS AND HUMANITIES**
- 25 STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL & COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION**
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

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. April Cromer

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS**

The reason for abstaining on the above referenced legislation is [check applicable reasons(s):

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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. Sarita Edgerton

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

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)**.

Rep. Stephen Frank

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

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- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS – STATE TREASURER

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. Kambrell Garvin

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE  
65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON  
SERVICES  
67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE  
70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION  
74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION  
75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND  
78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE  
80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING &  
REGULATION  
83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE  
84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS  
102 ELECTION COMMISSION  
104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY  
109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION  
111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL  
113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER

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

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individual with whom I am associated in partnership with or a business or partnership in which I have a greater than 5% interest.

Rep. Gil Gatch

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 6 SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND**
- 7 GOVERNOR’S SCHOOL FOR AGRICULTURE AT JOHN DE LA HOWE**
- 14 CLEMSON UNIVERSITY**
- 18 LANDER UNIVERSITY**
- 39 COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND**
- 43 FORESTRY COMMISSION**
- 44 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**
- 49 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS**

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).

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. Lee Gilreath

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 49 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM**
- 57 JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT**

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).

Rep. Jerry Govan

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER**

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).

Rep. Hamilton Grant

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal

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Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 79 STATE BOARD OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 82 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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.

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Rep. Val Guest

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

**34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

**65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

**84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**92D OFFICE OF RESILIENCE**

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)**.

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. Patrick Haddon

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

**113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER**

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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)**.

be entered into within the next year with an agency, commission, board, dep Rep. Kevin Hardee

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL

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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. Chris Hart

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

**53 SC CONSERVATION BANK**

**113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS – STATE TREASURER**

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)**.

Rep. Tom Hartnett

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal**

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Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER

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.

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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. Rosalyn Henderson-Myers

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
- 1A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION- EIA- PART IB ONLY
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 54 RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY

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- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL

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. Jeff Johnson

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
- 17 FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

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- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING &  
REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS -STATE TREASURER

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. Jay Jordan

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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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38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

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)**.

Rep. John King

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER

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)**.

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. Roger Kirby

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, for the below referenced Part, Section and/or

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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**

**44 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

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)**.

Rep. John T. Lastinger Jr.

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

**32 DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION**

**33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

**74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**

**75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**

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)**.

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. Phillip Lowe

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 43 FORESTRY COMMISSION
- 44 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
- 63 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 82 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 92D OFFICE OF RESILIENCE
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS -STATE TREASURER

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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. Jason Luck

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 16 COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
- 60 PROSECUTION COORDINATION COMMISSION
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
- 63 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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- 82 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS-STATE TREASURER

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. David Martin

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 82 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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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.

Rep. Ryan McCabe

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE**
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE**
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION**

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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. John McCravy

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**

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- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 100 OFFICE OF ADJUTANT GENERAL
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS -STATE TREASURER

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. Cody Mitchell

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 8 EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION COMMISSION
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- 50 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
- 87 DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER

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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)**.

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

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 100 ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE**
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION**

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**104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY**  
**109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

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. Travis Moore

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 20 University of South Carolina-PART 1B ONLY**
- 20A University of South Carolina**
- 20E University of South Carolina - Lancaster Campus**
- 23 MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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)**.

Rep. Brandon Newton

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS- STATE TREASURER

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

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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

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

**50 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**

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).

Rep. Jordan Pace

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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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- 85 INFRASTRUCTURE BANK BOARD
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS -STATE TREASURER

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).

Rep. Fawn Pedalino

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

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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. Tommy Pope

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

**33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

**78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

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)**.

Rep. Luke Rankin

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal**

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Year 2026-2027, 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
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
  - 41 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY
  - 47 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
  - 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE
  - 62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
  - 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
  - 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
  - 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
  - 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
  - 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
  - 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
  - 87 DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS
  - 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
  - 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
  - 105 SFAA, OFFICE OF STATE AUDITOR
  - 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
  - 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
  - 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS – STATE TREASURER

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.

Rep. Robby Robbins

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal**

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Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE
- 65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 86 COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUNDS
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION
- 111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL

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.

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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. Seth Rose

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION**
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION**
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY**
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION**

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. Todd Rutherford

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 14 CLEMSON UNIVERSITY – EDUCATION & GENERAL**
- 18 LANDER UNIVERSITY**
- 20A UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA**
- 20B USC – AIKEN CAMPUS**
- 20C USC – UPSTATE**
- 20D USC – BEAUFORT CAMPUS**
- 20E USC – LANCASTER CAMPUS**
- 20F USC – SALKEHATCHIE CAMPUS**
- 20G USC – SUMTER CAMPUS**
- 20H USC – UNION CAMPUS**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
- 45 CLEMSON UNIVERSITY – PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES**
- 53 SC CONSERVATION BANK**
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS – STATE TREASURER**

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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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. Blake Sanders

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 16 COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY**
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER**

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).

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. Carla Schuessler

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

**84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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)**.

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. Heath Sessions

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 1A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION- EIA- PART IB ONLY**
- 17 FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY**
- 23 MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA**
- 25 STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL & COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION**
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 32 DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION**
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
- 34 DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 40 OFFICE ON AGING**
- 42 HOUSING FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE**

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61 COMMISSION ON INDIGENT DEFENSE  
62 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION  
65 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS  
66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON  
SERVICES  
67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE  
70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION  
72 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
73 OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF  
74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION  
75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND  
78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE  
80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING &  
REGULATION  
83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE  
84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
102 ELECTION COMMISSION  
104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY  
108 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY  
109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION  
111 PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL  
113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS – STATE TREASURER

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.

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Rep. G. M. Smith Jr.

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
- 59 ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OFFICE**

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. M. M. Smith

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 1A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION- EIA- PART IB ONLY**

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- 23 MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
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- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
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- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
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- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 82 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
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- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 87 DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER

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. Leon Stavrinakis

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

**Agency Name, Subject**

**1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

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).

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. James E. Teeple

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

**1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**1A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – EIA (1B ONLY)**

**4 EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

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

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which I am associated may be affected in violation of S.C. Code § 8-13-700(B).

Rep. Courtney Waters

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In accordance with §8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code, I abstained from voting on H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, 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**

- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 33 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
- 38 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES
- 70 HUMAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
- 83 DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- 102 ELECTION COMMISSION
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

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.

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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 Weeks

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In accordance with **§8-13-700(B) of the S.C. Code**, I abstained from voting on **H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2026-2027**, 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**

- 1 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- 55 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**
- 66 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, PAROLE & PARDON SERVICES**
- 67 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE**
- 74 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**
- 75 STATE ACCIDENT FUND**
- 78 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**
- 80 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
- 81 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION**
- 84 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 104 STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY**
- 109 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**
- 110 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION**
- 113 AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER**

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

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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. Spencer Wetmore

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**H. 5127--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 5127 -- Ways and Means Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, AND TO ALLOW UNEXPENDED FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS AND EXPENDED FOR THE SAME PURPOSES.

Rep. BANNISTER explained the Joint Resolution.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:  
Yeas 118; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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

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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	Kirby
Landing	Lastinger	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Lowe
Luck	Magnuson	Martin
McCabe	McCrary	McDaniel
McGinnis	C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Morgan
Moss	Neese	B. Newton
W. Newton	Oremus	Pace
Pedalino	Pope	Rankin
Reese	Rivers	Robbins
Rose	Rutherford	Sanders
Schuessler	Scott	Sessions
G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Teeple	Terrible
Vaughan	Weeks	Wetmore
White	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--118**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Joint Resolution 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. 5127. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Joint Resolution.

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Rep. Chris Hart

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. BANNISTER moved that H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 2026-2027, be set for Special Order for third reading immediately after second reading H. 3368, and immediately after roll call every day thereafter until given third reading, which was adopted.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. BANNISTER moved that H. 5127, the Capital Reserve Fund Bill, be set for Special Order for third reading immediately after third reading of H. 5126, the annual General Appropriations Bill, and immediately after roll call every day thereafter until given third reading.

**H. 4216--SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN AND  
BILL ENROLLED**

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

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, C. Mitchell, Gatch, Herbkersman, Schuessler, Caskey, T. Moore, Hewitt, Erickson, Bowers, Gilliam, Teeple, Guest, Bailey, Guffey, Holman, Yow, Ballentine, Martin, Calhoon, Taylor, Hartnett, Robbins, Willis, 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,

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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.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 2A to H. 4216 (LC-4216.SA0010H), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking the table contained in Section 12-6-510(C)(1) and inserting:

    Renummer sections to conform.

    Amend title to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. PACE spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. B. NEWTON spoke against the amendment.

Rep. B. NEWTON moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

    Yeas 100; Nays 18

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bailey
Ballentine	Bamberg	Bannister
Bauer	Bernstein	Bowers
Bradley	Brewer	Brittain
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	Grant	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Hayes	Henderson-Myers	Herbkersman
Hewitt	Hiott	Hixon

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Holman	Hosey	Howard
J. E. Johnson	J. L. Johnson	Jones
Jordan	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer
Williams	Willis	Wooten
Yow		

**Total--100**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Kilmartin
Lastinger	Magnuson	McCabe
McCravy	D. Mitchell	Morgan
Pace	Terrible	White

**Total--18**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 3A to H. 4216 (LC-4216.SA0011H), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking the table contained in Section 12-6-510(C)(1) and inserting:

    Renumber sections to conform.

    Amend title to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

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Rep. HIOTT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. PACE demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 100; Nays 19

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Caskey
Chapman	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	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	King	Kirby
Landing	Lawson	Ligon
Long	Lowe	Luck
Martin	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Waters	Weeks
Wetmore	Whitmire	Wickensimer

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Williams  
Yow

Willis

Wooten

**Total--100**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach

Burns

Chumley

Cromer

Edgerton

Frank

Gilreath

Harris

Huff

Kilmartin

Lastinger

Magnuson

McCabe

McCrary

D. Mitchell

Morgan

Pace

Terrible

White

**Total--19**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 6A to H. 4216 (LC-4216.DG0022H), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, 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 federal adjusted gross income exceeds ~~forty~~fifty thousand dollars and the denominator is 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 federal adjusted gross income exceeds ~~sixty~~seventy-five thousand dollars and the denominator is eighty-two thousand 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 federal adjusted gross income exceeds ~~eighty~~one hundred thousand dollars and the denominator is one hundred ten thousand.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

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Rep. HIOTT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to by a division vote of 92 to 23.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 7A to H. 4216 (LC-4216.DG0026H), which was tabled:

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

SECTION X. Article 25, Chapter 6, Title 12 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 12-6-3825. There is allowed as a nonrefundable credit against the tax imposed pursuant to Section 12-6-510 on a full-year resident individual taxpayer an amount equal to one hundred percent of the federal child tax credit allowed the taxpayer pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 24.

Section 12-6-3826. There is allowed as a nonrefundable credit against the tax imposed pursuant to Section 12-6-510 on a full-year resident individual taxpayer an amount equal to one hundred percent of the federal adoption tax credit allowed the taxpayer pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 23.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. HIOTT moved to table the amendment.

Rep. BEACH demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 98; Nays 19

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Bernstein
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Dillard	Duncan
Erickson	Ford	Forrest
Gagnon	Garvin	Gatch

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Gibson	Gilliam	Gilliard
Govan	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
King	Kirby	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Luck	Martin
McDaniel	McGinnis	C. Mitchell
J. Moore	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Reese	Rivers
Robbins	Rose	Rutherford
Sanders	Schuessler	Scott
Sessions	G. M. Smith	M. M. Smith
Taylor	Teeple	Vaughan
Waters	Weeks	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

**Total--98**

Those who voted in the negative are:

Beach	Burns	Chumley
Cromer	Edgerton	Frank
Gilreath	Harris	Huff
Kilmartin	Lastinger	Magnuson
McCabe	McCravy	D. Mitchell
Morgan	Pace	Terrible
White		

**Total--19**

So, the amendment was tabled.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 4A to H. 4216 (LC-4216.DG0024H), which was tabled:

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Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 12-6-510(C)(2), (3), and (4) and inserting:

(2) 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 permanently in seven equal and cumulative installments so that after the seventh reduction the income tax rate equals zero percent. In the first year in which the reduction required by this item causes the otherwise top marginal rate to be less than 1.99 percent, and each year thereafter, the 1.99 percent rate must be reduced to the same rate as the otherwise top marginal rate as required by this item.

Renumber sections to conform. Amend title to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

**ACTING SPEAKER HIOTT IN CHAIR**

Rep. PACE continued speaking.

Rep. PACE spoke in favor of the amendment.

**SPEAKER IN CHAIR**

Rep. PACE continued speaking.

Rep. HEWITT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to by a division vote of 91 to 23.

Rep. PACE proposed the following Amendment No. 5A to H. 4216 (LC-4216.DG0025H), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 12-6-510(C)(2), (3), and (4) and inserting:

(2) 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 permanently in seven equal and cumulative installments so that after the seventh reduction the top marginal income tax rate equals 1.99 percent. In the first year in which both tax rates set forth in item (1) equal 1.99 percent and each year thereafter, both 1.99 percent income tax rates must be decreased permanently in three equal and cumulative installments so that after the third reduction, both rates equal zero percent.

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend title to conform.

Rep. PACE explained the amendment.

Rep. HIOTT moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to by a division vote of 91 to 23.

Rep. PACE spoke against the Senate Amendments.

Rep. CROMER spoke against the Senate Amendments.

Rep. B. NEWTON spoke in favor of the Senate Amendments.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 71; Nays 49

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Bailey	Ballentine	Bannister
Bowers	Bradley	Brewer
Brittain	Bustos	Calhoon
Caskey	Chapman	Clyburn
Collins	Cox	Crawford
Davis	Duncan	Erickson
Forrest	Gagnon	Gatch
Gibson	Gilliam	Guest
Guffey	Haddon	Hager
Hardee	Hartnett	Hartz
Herbkersman	Hewitt	Hiott
Hixon	Holman	Hosey
J. E. Johnson	Jordan	Landing
Lawson	Ligon	Long
Lowe	Martin	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	T. Moore	Moss
Neese	B. Newton	W. Newton
Oremus	Pedalino	Pope
Rankin	Robbins	Sanders
Schuessler	Sessions	G. M. Smith
Stavrinakis	Taylor	Teeple
Vaughan	Weeks	Whitmire
Wickensimer	Williams	Willis
Wooten	Yow	

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Anderson	Atkinson	Bamberg
Bauer	Beach	Bernstein
Burns	Chumley	Cobb-Hunter
Cromer	Dillard	Edgerton
Ford	Frank	Garvin
Gilliard	Gilreath	Govan
Grant	Harris	Hayes
Henderson-Myers	Howard	Huff
J. L. Johnson	Jones	Kilmartin
King	Kirby	Lastinger
Luck	Magnuson	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	D. Mitchell
J. Moore	Morgan	Pace
Reese	Rivers	Rose
Rutherford	Scott	M. M. Smith
Terrible	Waters	Wetmore
White		

**Total--49**

The Senate Amendments were agreed to, and the Bill 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. 3368--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3368 -- Reps. Long, Forrest, Yow, C. Mitchell, Magnuson, Calhoon, J. E. Johnson, Crawford, Erickson, Davis, Bradley, Hager, Hartz, McCravy, Ballentine, Bowers, Bailey, Hardee, Guest, Hewitt, Jordan, Lowe, McGinnis, Sessions, Caskey, B. Newton, Hiott, Gilliam, Bannister, G. M. Smith, Ligon, Bustos, Hartnett, W. Newton, Wooten, Oremus, Pedalino, M. M. Smith, Cox, Landing, Robbins, Martin, Brewer, Ford, Teeple, Vaughan, Pope, Chapman, Gagnon, Gibson, Whitmire, Rankin, Sanders, Duncan, Wickensimer, Haddon, Herbkersman, Lawson, T. Moore, Taylor, Holman and Schuessler: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-1120, RELATING TO MODIFICATIONS TO GROSS INCOME FOR INDIVIDUAL

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INCOME TAX PURPOSES, SO AS TO EXCLUDE OVERTIME PAY AND CERTAIN BONUS PAY FROM GROSS INCOME.

The Ways and Means Committee proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3368 (LC-3368.DG0002H), which was adopted:

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

SECTION 1. Section 12-6-40(A)(1)(a) and (c) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(a) Except as otherwise provided, "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended through December 31, ~~2024~~2025, and includes the effective date provisions contained in it.

(c) If Internal Revenue Code sections adopted by this State which expired or portions thereof expired on December 31, ~~2024~~2025, are extended, but otherwise not amended, by congressional enactment during ~~2025~~2026, these sections or portions thereof also are extended for South Carolina income tax purposes in the same manner that they are extended for federal income tax purposes.

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

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. LONG explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. BURNS proposed the following Amendment No. 2 to H. 3368 (LC-3368.DG0004H), which was tabled:

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

SECTION X. The Department of Revenue shall review all 2025 income tax returns that were filed before the effective date of this act. During the review, if the department determines that the taxpayer's South Carolina taxable income would have been less had this act been in effect when the taxpayer filed the return, then the department shall automatically issue the taxpayer a refund based on the lesser South Carolina taxable income. A taxpayer is not required to make any additional filings to receive the refund. Nothing in this SECTION prevents a taxpayer from filing an amended return for any lawful reason, including disputing the department's calculated refund amount.

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend title to conform.

Rep. BURNS explained the amendment.

Rep. BURNS moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 121; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Alexander	Anderson	Atkinson
Bailey	Ballentine	Bamberg
Bannister	Bauer	Beach
Bernstein	Bowers	Bradley
Brewer	Brittain	Burns
Bustos	Calhoon	Caskey
Chapman	Chumley	Clyburn
Cobb-Hunter	Collins	Cox
Crawford	Cromer	Davis
Dillard	Duncan	Edgerton
Erickson	Ford	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	Lastinger	Lawson
Ligon	Long	Luck
Magnuson	Martin	McCabe
McCravy	McDaniel	McGinnis
C. Mitchell	D. Mitchell	J. Moore
T. Moore	Morgan	Moss

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

**Total--121**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

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

Rep. BANNISTER moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:55 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. LUCK, adjourned in memory of Shawn Eaddy, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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