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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025

**Wednesday, April 23, 2025**  
**(Statewide Session)**

~~Indicates Matter Stricken~~  
Indicates New Matter

The Senate assembled at 10:00 A.M., the hour to which it stood adjourned, and was called to order by the PRESIDENT.

A quorum being present, the proceedings were opened with a devotion by the Chaplain as follows:

Genesis 32:24

It's a bold story that we read in Genesis, how: "Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak."

Let us pray: Holy God, it truly is a gripping tale, how Jacob ended up in the river Jabbok, wrestling with some divine creature. His circumstances in many ways surely remind us of how these Senators themselves have so much to tackle, especially at this point in the 126<sup>th</sup> Session of our State's General Assembly. For indeed the clock keeps ticking, the days keep sliding by, and so very much remains to be hammered out and acted upon. Therefore, O Lord, we call on You to grant to these Senators and their aides the determination and the stamina to struggle onward, working so very faithfully to bring about meaningful and worthy results for the good people they have been called to serve. So we pray in Your blessed name, dear Lord. Amen.

The PRESIDENT called for Petitions, Memorials, Presentments of Grand Juries and such like papers.

**Call of the Senate**

Senator PEELER moved that a Call of the Senate be made. The following Senators answered the Call:

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Campsen	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Hembree
Hutto	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler

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Reichenbach	Rice	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Young	Zell

A quorum being present, the Senate resumed.

**REGULATION WITHDRAWN**

The following was received:

Document No. 5350

Agency: Department of Public Health

Chapter: 60

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 44-7-110 et seq.

SUBJECT: Standards for Licensing Crisis Stabilization Unit Facilities

Received by President of the Senate January 14, 2025

Referred to Medical Affairs Committee

Legislative Review Expiration: Permanently Withdrawn

Permanently Withdrawn April 23, 2025

**Leave of Absence**

On motion of Senator STUBBS, at 10:12 A.M., Senator BLACKMON was granted a leave of absence until 1:00 P.M.

**Leave of Absence**

At 11:41 A.M., Senator VERDIN requested a leave of absence beginning at 11:45 A.M. until 12:30 P.M.

**Leave of Absence**

On motion of Senator CLIMER, at 11:41 A.M., Senator GOLDFINCH was granted a leave of absence for today.

**Leave of Absence**

On motion of Senator JACKSON, at 11:42 A.M., Senator WILLIAMS was granted a leave of absence for Wednesday, April 23 and Thursday, April 24, 2025.

**Leave of Absence**

On motion of Senator ELLIOTT, at 7:25 P.M., Senator OTT was granted a leave of absence for the balance of the day.

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**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

The following co-sponsors were added to the respective Bills:

S. 223 Sen. Stubbs  
S. 330 Sen. Kennedy  
S. 589 Sen. Jackson

**RECALLED AND COMMITTED**

S. 589 -- Senators Climer and Stubbs: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO ENACT THE "MAKE SOUTH CAROLINA HEALTHY AGAIN ACT"; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-10-310, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE MEALS AND COMPETITIVE FOODS, DISTRICT POLICIES, AND EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE POLICY TO INCLUDE A PROHIBITION ON PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROVIDING ULTRA-PROCESSED FOOD TO STUDENTS ON THE SCHOOL CAMPUS DURING THE NORMAL SCHOOL DAY; AND TO ADD ARTICLE 11 TO CHAPTER 5, TITLE 43, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES SHALL SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR A FEDERAL WAIVER TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SNAP BENEFITS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CANDY AND SOFT DRINKS; TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR THE WAIVER; AND TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS RELATING TO THE SNAP PROGRAM.

Senator PEELER asked unanimous consent to make a motion to recall the Bill from the Committee on Education and commit it to the Committee on Finance.

**RECALLED**

H. 3002 -- Rep. Bamberg: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF GOVAN ROAD IN BAMBERG COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH VOORHEES ROAD TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 321 "WILLIAM H. NIMMONS SR. ROAD" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS OR MARKERS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

Senator GROOMS asked unanimous consent to make a motion to recall the Resolution from the Committee on Transportation.

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The Resolution was recalled from the Committee on Transportation and ordered placed on the Calendar for consideration tomorrow.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

The following were introduced:

S. 594 -- Family and Veterans' Services Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, RELATING TO REGULATIONS FOR THE LICENSING OF CHILD CARE CENTERS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5314, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

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Read the first time and ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

S. 595 -- Family and Veterans' Services Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, RELATING TO CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION INVESTIGATORS AND PERSONS OBTAINING CONSENTS OR RELINQUISHMENTS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5303, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

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Read the first time and ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

S. 596 -- Family and Veterans' Services Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, RELATING TO SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FOR ADOPTION AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5315, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

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Read the first time and ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

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S. 597 -- Family and Veterans' Services Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, RELATING TO CHILD PLACING AGENCIES REGULATIONS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5308, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

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Read the first time and ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

S. 598 -- Family and Veterans' Services Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, RELATING TO APPROVAL OF KINSHIP FAMILY FOSTER HOMES AND KINSHIP ADOPTIVE HOMES FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5296, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

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Read the first time and ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

S. 599 -- Senator Jackson: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR BERNADETTE SHANAY STARKS, UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER FORTY-FIVE YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE IN COSMETOLOGY, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 600 -- Senator Devine: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CHARLES B. JACKSON SR., PASTOR OF BROOKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH, AND THE STAFF OF BROOKLAND BANQUET AND CONFERENCE CENTER FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM AS THEY CELEBRATE THE CENTER'S TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

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S. 601 -- Senators Blackmon and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-11-600, RELATING TO NOTICES OF TRESPASSING, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ENCLOSING LAND WITH A FENCE CONSTITUTES THE POSTING OF NOTICE; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-11-620, RELATING TO ENTERING PREMISES AFTER WARNING OR REFUSING TO LEAVE ON REQUEST, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO ENTER INTO A DWELLING HOUSE WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION, INVITATION, OR LEGAL CAUSE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 16-11-640, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL ENTRY INTO ENCLOSED PLACES, SO AS TO PROHIBIT A PERSON WHO IS NOT AN OCCUPANT, OWNER, OR INVITEE FROM ENTERING ANY PRIVATE PROPERTY ENCLOSED BY WALLS OR FENCES.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 3058 -- Reps. Wooten, Pope, Spann-Wilder, McCravy, Taylor, Cobb-Hunter, Govan, Erickson, Bradley, Guffey, W. Newton, B. Newton and Willis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16-15-330 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS FOR THE OFFENSE OF INTENTIONALLY DISSEMINATING INTIMATE IMAGES OR DIGITALLY FORGED INTIMATE IMAGES WITHOUT EFFECTIVE CONSENT; AND BY ADDING SECTION 16-15-332 SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF INTENTIONALLY DISSEMINATING INTIMATE IMAGES OR DIGITALLY FORGED INTIMATE IMAGES WITHOUT EFFECTIVE CONSENT, TO PROVIDE GRADUATED PENALTIES, AND TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 3129 -- Rep. Rutherford: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 2, TITLE 56 SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS AND TO PROVIDE PROVISIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF PERSONAL DELIVERY DEVICES.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

H. 3163 -- Reps. M. M. Smith, Lawson, Pope, Spann-Wilder, McCravy, Hartnett, Teeple, Kilmartin, Montgomery, Sanders, Bauer, Guffey, Taylor and W. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 42-11-30, RELATING TO OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES COMPENSABLE UNDER WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND CONDITIONS PRESUMED TO HAVE ARISEN OUT OF AND IN THE COURSE OF EMPLOYMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS, SO AS TO INCLUDE STROKE, AND TO REVISE PRESUMPTION ENTITLEMENT CRITERIA TO INCLUDE CONDITIONS DEVELOPED WHILE ACTIVELY ON DUTY INSTEAD OF ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN FIREFIGHTING.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

H. 3175 -- Reps. Collins, Mitchell, Forrest and Calhoon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-1230, RELATING TO SPECIFICATIONS OF LICENSE PLATES, THE PERIODIC ISSUANCE OF NEW PLATES, AND THE ISSUANCE OF REVALIDATION STICKERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHALL ISSUE LICENSE PLATES COMMEMORATING THE TWO HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

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Read the first time and ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 3250 -- Rep. McGinnis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY REPEALING SECTION 59-104-250 RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT TECHNICAL COLLEGE LIBRARIES CONVERT TO COMPUTER-BASED AUTOMATED SYSTEMS COMPATIBLE WITH STATE LIBRARY SYSTEMS.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.



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H. 3251 -- Rep. McGinnis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY REPEALING SECTION 39-9-240 RELATING TO THE METRIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND ITS MANDATE TO DEVELOP AND ENCOURAGE IMPLEMENTATION OF A METRIC EDUCATION PLAN.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry.

H. 3258 -- Reps. Pope, Gilliam, Martin, Grant, M. M. Smith, Schuessler and Henderson-Myers: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-66-35 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE ACQUISITION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MOBILE PANIC ALERT SYSTEMS IN EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE STATE, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SYSTEMS, AND TO PROVIDE PROCUREMENT AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

H. 3778 -- Reps. Bannister, Burns, Long, Willis, Vaughan, Haddon, Jones, Bowers, Hiott, Wickensimer, Sanders and Kilmartin: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNING BODY OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY WAIVE THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENT THAT PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAKE UP FULL DAYS MISSED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICTS CLOSED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER ASSOCIATED WITH HURRICANE HELENE DURING THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR, AND TO EXTEND SUCH WAIVERS TO HOME SCHOOL PROGRAMS.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

H. 3832 -- Reps. W. Newton, Herbkersman, Dillard, Kirby and Henderson-Myers: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-62-50, RELATING TO THE TAX REBATE FOR CERTAIN MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANIES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL LIMIT, AND BY ALLOWING THE USE OF REBATES FOR CERTAIN EXPENDITURES AND EXPENSES; BY REPEALING SECTION 12-62-60 RELATING TO DISTRIBUTION OF

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ADMISSIONS TAXES FOR REBATES TO MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANIES AND CERTAIN DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES; AND BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3830 SO AS TO PROVIDE A TAX CREDIT FOR AN ACCREDITED THEATER PRODUCTION.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

H. 3925 -- Reps. Bannister, Murphy, G. M. Smith, Caskey, Yow, B. Newton and Hart: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 11-3-250 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL SHALL CONFIRM THE ACCURACY OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS IN THE TREASURY FOR THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR ANNUALLY; BY ADDING SECTION 11-5-290 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE TREASURER SHALL MAINTAIN AN ACCOUNTING OF CASH AND INVESTMENTS IN THE TREASURY BY AGENCY AND FUND; BY AMENDING SECTION 11-5-185, RELATING TO THE TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE TREASURER SHALL ENSURE ACCURACY OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL DATA AND INFORM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF ANY SUBSTANTIVE CONCERNS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 11-7-60, RELATING TO THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE AUDITOR MAY NOT CONTRACT WITH THE SAME EXTERNAL AUDITING FIRM WITHOUT PRIOR REVIEW BY THE JOINT BOND REVIEW COMMITTEE.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

H. 3944 -- Reps. Erickson and Vaughan: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-4160, RELATING TO WEIGHING VEHICLES AND THEIR LOADS, UNLOADING THEIR EXCESS WEIGHT, AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM WEIGHTS FOR ELECTRIC BATTERY POWERED MOTOR VEHICLES.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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H. 4134 -- Reps. Robbins, B. Newton, Dillard and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING ACT 80 OF 2013, RELATING TO THE "HIGH GROWTH SMALL BUSINESS JOB CREATION ACT," SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION FOR AN ADDITIONAL TEN YEARS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 11-44-10, RELATING TO THE CITATION OF THE ACT, SO AS TO RENAME THE ACT THE "HIGH GROWTH SMALL BUSINESS JOB CREATION ACT OF 2013 - ANGEL INVESTOR TAX CREDIT ACT."

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

H. 4371 -- Reps. Edgerton, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terrible, Vaughan, Waters, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RAISE AWARENESS OF HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES THROUGH LEARNING IS FOR EVERYONE (LIFE) PROGRAMS AND TO DECLARE MAY 1, 2025, AS "SEE THE ABLE DAY" IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Education.

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**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

Senator PEELER from the Committee on Finance polled out S. 507 favorable:

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

**Poll of the Finance Committee**

**Polled 23; Ayes 21; Nays 0; Not Voting 2**

**AYES**

Peeler	Alexander	Grooms
Verdin	Cromer	Jackson
Davis	Martin	Allen
Bennett	Corbin	Hembree
Turner	Gambrell	Matthews
Climer	Hutto	Sabb
Rice	Garrett	

**Total--21**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**NOT VOTING**

Williams	Goldfinch
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**Total--2**

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

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**Message from the House**

Columbia, S.C., April 24, 2025

Mr. President and Senators:

The House respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it has returned the following Bill to the Senate with amendments:

S. 164 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 1-23-120, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR REGULATIONS, SO AS TO TOLL THE PERIOD OF LEGISLATIVE REVIEW FROM THE SECOND FRIDAY IN MAY THROUGH THE SECOND MONDAY IN JANUARY; AND TO ADD A PROVISION REVISING THE PERIOD OF LEGISLATIVE REVIEW FOR REGULATIONS FILED ON JANUARY 14, 2025, TO ONE HUNDRED THIRTEEN DAYS.

Very respectfully,

Speaker of the House

Received as information.

Placed on Calendar for consideration tomorrow.

**Message from the House**

Columbia, S.C., April 23, 2025

Mr. President and Senators:

The House respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it concurs in the amendments proposed by the Senate to:

H. 4211 -- Reps. Sanders, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B.J. Cox, B.L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J.E. Johnson, J.L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Schuessler, Sessions, G.M. Smith, M.M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple,

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Terrible, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE ESSENTIAL VALUE AND IMPORTANCE OF SOUTH CAROLINA NATIVE PLANTS TO THE STATE'S ENVIRONMENT, LANDSCAPE, AGRICULTURE, HISTORY, AND ECONOMY, AND TO ENCOURAGE STATE AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND PRIVATE LANDOWNERS TO USE NATIVE PLANTS FOR LANDSCAPING, EROSION CONTROL, AND VEGETATION MANAGEMENT WHENEVER POSSIBLE TO PROMOTE THE VIABILITY OF MIGRATORY AND NONMIGRATORY POLLINATORS AND TO HELP TO PRESERVE SOUTH CAROLINA'S UNIQUE FLORA AND FAUNA.

and has ordered the Concurrent Resolution enrolled for Ratification.

Very respectfully,

Speaker of the House

Received as information.

**HOUSE CONCURRENCES**

S. 551 -- Senator Allen: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE ANNIE LOIS NEELY STEWART OF GREENVILLE COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 552 -- Senator Devine: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE RIDGEWOOD MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH ON THE OCCASION OF ITS CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY AND TO CONGRATULATE AND HONOR REVEREND DARRIUS GRAVES AND THE CONGREGATION FOR THEIR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE RIDGEWOOD COMMUNITY.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 553 -- Senator Alexander: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CORPORAL LUCAS WATTS, CAPTAIN THOMAS CROMPTON, LIEUTENANT JUSTIN MURPHY, CORPORAL CHRIS JOHNSON, STAFF SERGEANT

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CHARLES MULWEE, AND FIRST SERGEANT DAVID CARR, ALL OF THE OCONEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, AND DEPUTY FIRST CLASS TYLER BISHOP OF THE PICKENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR EXCEPTIONAL COURAGE IN THE FACE OF DANGER WHILE IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM UPON RECEIVING THE SOUTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION 2024 MEDAL OF VALOR AWARD.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 562 -- Senator Cromer: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR SERGEANT MICHAEL CLAYTOR OF THE NEWBERRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR EXCEPTIONAL COURAGE IN THE FACE OF DANGER WHILE IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM UPON RECEIVING THE SOUTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION 2024 MEDAL OF VALOR AWARD.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 563 -- Senator Cromer: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR SERGEANT MICHAEL CLAYTOR OF THE NEWBERRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ALONG WITH SLED AGENT KEITH THROWER, SLED AGENT COREY JAGER, SLED AGENT COLE POWELL, AND K9 AGENT COBA, AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM ON BEING AWARDED THE SOUTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION MEDAL OF VALOR.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 564 -- Senator Graham: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CHIEF DEPUTY J. CHASE ISEMAN, SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES LANCE CORPORAL GENE MIKE NORRIS, AND SPECIAL AGENTS NEAL NELSON AND SPENCER PUMPHREY, BOTH WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR BEING AWARDED THE 2024 SOUTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION MEDAL OF VALOR.

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Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 567 -- Senators Young, Adams, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Blackmon, Campsen, Cash, Chaplin, Climer, Corbin, Cromer, Davis, Devine, Elliott, Fernandez, Gambrell, Garrett, Goldfinch, Graham, Grooms, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Kimbrell, Leber, Martin, Massey, Matthews, Nutt, Ott, Peeler, Rankin, Reichenbach, Rice, Sabb, Stubbs, Sutton, Tedder, Turner, Verdin, Walker, Williams and Zell: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR JAMES E. "JIM" STEWART, JR. FOR HIS THIRTY YEARS OF SERVICE ON THE AIKEN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 569 -- Senator Matthews: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR DEPUTY KYLE RICHARD HORTON OF THE HAMPTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR EXCEPTIONAL COURAGE IN THE FACE OF LIFE-THREATENING DANGER TO A CITIZEN WHILE ON DUTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM UPON RECEIVING THE SOUTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION 2024 MEDAL OF VALOR AWARD.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.

S. 570 -- Senator Gambrell: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR SERGEANTS HUNTER RUFF, DANIEL MCCOWN, AND STEPHEN EARWOOD OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM ON BEING AWARDED THE SOUTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION 2024 MEDAL OF VALOR.

Returned with concurrence.

Received as information.



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**THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO A CALL OF THE UNCONTESTED LOCAL AND STATEWIDE CALENDAR.**

**ORDERED ENROLLED FOR RATIFICATION**

The following Bill was read the third time and, having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act and enrolled for Ratification:

H. 4187 -- Reps. Caskey, Ballentine, Calhoon, Forrest, Govan, Kilmartin, May, McCabe, Taylor, White and Wooten: A BILL TO EXTEND THE ONE PERCENT SALES TAX IMPOSED BY ACT 378 OF 2004, AS AMENDED, THE LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT, FOR AN ADDITIONAL SEVEN YEARS.

On motion of Senator KENNEDY.

**THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO A CONSIDERATION OF H. 4025, THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL.**

**AMENDED, READ THE THIRD TIME  
RETURNED TO THE HOUSE**

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

The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill, the question being the third reading of the Bill.

**Amendment No. 13A**

Senator YOUNG proposed the following amendment (SM PROPERTY SALE APPROVAL), which was adopted (#14):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 37, DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES, page 387, after line 16, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (DAODAS: Real Property Sale Approval) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no county drug and alcohol authority receiving state funds shall sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of any real property owned by the authority without prior approval from a majority of the

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local legislative delegation representing the county in which the property is located. The authority shall submit a written request to the delegation, including details of the proposed sale, and receive written approval before proceeding with any transaction as to the real property. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator YOUNG explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 26A**

Senators CORBIN and ZELL proposed the following amendment (SM STATE CONSTABLES V.2), which was carried over and subsequently withdrawn:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 63, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, page 433, proviso 63.8, line 31, after /resource officers. / by inserting:

/ Upon approval of the school district, state constables shall be eligible to be used in the capacity of school security guards. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator CORBIN explained the amendment.

On motion of Senator CORBIN, the amendment was carried over.

**Motion Adopted**

On motion of Senator PEELER, with unanimous consent, the Senate agreed that the staff of the Senate Finance Committee be allowed to prepare the necessary technical correcting and balancing amendment to be delivered to, and certified by the Clerk, and for the amendment to be adopted upon his certification for inclusion in H. 4025.

**Amendment No. 20**

Senator ADAMS proposed the following amendment (AM WAIVER VALUATIONS), which was adopted (#15):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 84, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, page 458, proviso 84.17, lines 11-14, by amending the proviso to read:

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/ (DOT: Waiver Valuations) For federal funds appropriated to the department, cost estimates of twenty thousand dollars or less for uncomplicated acquisitions of real property, defined as those involving unimproved strips of land with no damages, no changes in highest and best use, or no significant costs to cure, are considered waiver valuations as defined by the Federal Highway Administration and shall not be subject to the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. The department shall submit a detailed report on the waiver valuations to the Senate Transportation Committee and the House Education and Public Works Committee by June 30, 2026. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator ADAMS explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

### **Motion Adopted**

Senator CAMPSSEN asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 5 and substitute it with Amendment No. 22.

### **Amendment No. 22**

Senator CAMPSSEN proposed the following amendment (SA\4025C006.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was adopted (#16):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 102, ELECTION COMMISSION, page 483, by striking proviso 102.7 and inserting:

102.7. (ELECT: Training & Certification Program) All members and staff of County Boards of Voter Registration and Elections will receive a common curriculum to include core courses on the duties and responsibilities of county boards of voter registration and elections and electives to promote quality service and professional development. The State Election Commission shall make these courses available in various locations, including but not be limited to, the upstate, coastal, and midlands areas of the state. The State Election Commission may not cancel a course for lack of enrollment if one or more members are scheduled to attend. Up to \$35,000 of revenue generated by charging a fee to attend these courses may be retained and expended by the South Carolina Election Commission to help cover the cost of providing the training. Any balance in the training and certification account on June thirtieth, of the prior fiscal year may be carried forward and expended for the same purpose during the current fiscal year.

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The State Election Commission is required to withhold the stipend of members who do not complete the training and certification program as required in Section 7-5-10 of the 1976 Code. Additionally, funds will also be withheld if a board member completes the training and certification program, but fails to complete at least one training course per year. The board member and members of that county's legislative delegation will be notified of the withholding of the stipend and the requirements needed to bring the member into compliance with the law. If a board member cannot complete the program or complete the required continuing education due to extenuating circumstances, the board member must submit a written request to the county legislative delegation for approval or funds will continue to be withheld as described in this proviso. If a board member does not become compliant with the law within eighteen months of initial notification of stipend withholding, the county's legislative delegation must replace that person on the board.

*If a stipend is being withheld on the effective date of this act for the failure of a member to attend a required training course, then the stipend must be paid if the member signed up for a course that was later cancelled. /*

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator CAMPSSEN explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

### **Motion Adopted**

On motion of Senator ADAMS, with unanimous consent, Amendment No. 4 was withdrawn.

### **Amendment No. 23**

Senators ADAMS, RICE and SABB proposed the following amendment (AM PORS RETURN TO WORK V.2), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 108, PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFIT AUTHORITY, page 494, after line 23, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

*/ (PEBA: Retired Member of PORS) A retired member of the Police Officers Retirement System (PORS), who has been retired for at least six months, may be hired and return to employment covered by PORS. Such*

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a member may earn up to fifty-five thousand dollars annually without affecting the monthly retirement allowance received from PORS. However, if a law enforcement officer holds a supervisory rank at the time of retirement, he shall not be eligible to return to a supervisory position pursuant to the requirements of this proviso. Returning to covered employment does not accrue additional service credit. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator ADAMS explained the amendment.

**Point of Order**

Senator MARTIN raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that the amendment was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

Senator ADAMS spoke on the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT sustained the Point of Order.

The amendment was ruled out of order.

**Motion Adopted**

On motion of Senator KIMBRELL, with unanimous consent, Amendment No. 18 was withdrawn.

**Amendment No. 27**

Senators OTT and WALKER proposed the following amendment (DG\4025C008.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 598, by deleting proviso 118.21.

Amend the bill further, Part 1B, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 607, after line 14, by adding new provisos to read:

/ (SR: Tax reimbursement) For the property tax year that ends during the fiscal year, any person that qualifies and claims the exemption set forth in Section 12-37-250, is allowed an additional exemption of fifty thousand dollars of the fair market value of the dwelling place. There is appropriated to the Trust Fund for Tax Relief funds sufficient to reimburse local governments for the revenue loss resulting from this proviso in the same manner as the exemption set forth in Section 12-37-250 is reimbursed.

(SR: Grant program) (A) There is appropriated twenty-five million dollars to the Department of Public Safety to operate a grant program to

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aid local law enforcement agencies with equipment and improvements to better protect and secure the citizens of this State.

(B) There is appropriated to twenty-five million dollars to the State Fire Marshal to operate a grant program to aid local fire departments with the maintenance and use of firefighting apparatus and equipment. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator OTT explained the amendment.

**Point of Order**

Senator DAVIS raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that the amendment was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

Senator OTT spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator TEDDER spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator DAVIS spoke on the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT sustained the Point of Order.

The amendment was ruled out of order.

**Amendment No. 28**

Senators PEELER, ALEXANDER, CLIMER, STUBBS, ADAMS, KENNEDY, DAVIS and SUTTON proposed the following amendment (AM ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM), which was adopted (#17):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IA, Section 35, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, page 90, by inserting after line 4:

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/Alternative Transportation Program	2,000,000
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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 603, proviso 118.22, line 18, by inserting:

/( ) Alternative Transportation Program \$2,500,000;/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 603, proviso 118.22, line 18, by striking /\$9,670,000/ and inserting /\$7,670,000/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 604, proviso 118.22, line 17, by striking /\$9,000,000/ and inserting /\$8,500,000/

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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 606, proviso 118.22, line 20, by striking /\$10,000,000/ and inserting /\$9,000,000/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 599, proviso 118.22, line 15, by striking /\$42,585,026/ and inserting /\$41,585,026/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 598, proviso 118.22, line 32, by striking /\$45,968,154/ and inserting /\$43,968,154/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator ADAMS explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 3**

Senator OTT proposed the following amendment (SA\4025C004.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was adopted (#18):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 1A, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - EIA, page 335, after line 2, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (SDE-EIA: Assessment Pilot) Of the funds authorized and appropriated in this Act, any school district located in Lexington County is authorized to expend funds to implement a pilot program to administer assessments required by the state to students identified as English Language Learners in their native language. Students will continue to be identified as English Language Learners in the same manner as the prior school year. Required assessments include, but are not limited to, those used for kindergarten readiness and the state assessment program included in Title 59, Chapter 18. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator OTT explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**RECESS**

At 11:44 A.M., on motion of Senator PEELER, the Senate recessed from business.

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At 1:19 P.M., the Senate resumed.

**ACTING PRESIDENT PRESIDES**

Senator TURNER assumed the Chair.

**Call of the Senate**

Senator PEELER moved that a Call of the Senate be made. The following Senators answered the Call:

Adams	Allen	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Hutto	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Matthews	Nutt	Peeler
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Walker	Young	Zell

A quorum being present, the Senate resumed.

**PRESIDENT PRESIDES**

At 1:30 P.M., the PRESIDENT assumed the Chair.

**Amendment No. 17A**

Senators CLIMER, RICE, DAVIS, KENNEDY, STUBBS, BLACKMON, CORBIN, TURNER and ZELL proposed the following amendment (SM SNAP BENEFITS V2), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 38, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, page 393, after line 9, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (DSS: SNAP Benefits) (A) In the current fiscal year, the department shall submit a request for a federal waiver to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, to authorize the department to prohibit the use of SNAP benefits for the purchase of candy and soft drinks. "Candy" shall be defined as a preparation of sugar, honey, or other natural or artificial sweeteners in combination with chocolate, fruit, nuts, or other ingredients or flavorings in the form of bars, drops, or pieces, that does not require refrigeration. "Soft



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drink” shall be defined as a nonalcoholic beverage made with carbonated water and flavored and sweetened with sugar or artificial sweeteners but does not include a beverage that contains milk; milk products; soy, rice, or other milk substitutes; or more than fifty percent vegetable or fruit juice by volume.

(B) The waiver request shall include:

(1) justification for the waiver, including:

(a) public health concerns related to excessive sugar consumption and diet-related diseases;

(b) SNAP’s statutory intent to promote food security and nutrition; and

(c) cost savings to taxpayers by reducing Medicaid expenditures related to diet-induced conditions.

(2) an implementation plan ensuring that existing point-of-sale systems used by South Carolina retailers can enforce the restrictions;

(3) a strategy for education and outreach utilizing existing programs such as the USDA FNS’s SNAP-Ed Connection program to inform SNAP recipients of alternative healthy food options; and

(4) a mechanism to track the impact of the waiver restrictions on SNAP recipients, including spending patterns postimplementation and health outcomes, particularly Medicaid trends for diet-related illnesses.

(C) If the requested waiver is approved by the USDA FNS, the department shall implement the SNAP benefits restriction within six months from the date of approval.

(D) The department shall work with SNAP-authorized retailers to ensure compliance by updating point-of-sale systems to prevent the purchase of restricted items using SNAP benefits.

(E) On or before November first of the current fiscal year, the department shall submit a written report to the General Assembly, which includes the following:

(1) the status of the waiver request, including whether it is pending, approved, or denied;

(2) any data received from the federal government on SNAP spending trends in South Carolina, including any reductions in soda and candy purchases;

(3) recommendations for further policy action related to SNAP nutrition standards.

(F) The annual report must be included in the department’s annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly. /

Renumber sections to conform.

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Senator CLIMER explained the amendment.

Senator SABB spoke on the amendment.

The question then was the adoption of the amendment.

Senator HUTTO moved to lay the amendment on the table.

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 16; Nays 26**

**AYES**

Allen	Cromer	Elliott
Gambrell	Graham	Hembree
Hutto	Jackson	Martin
Matthews	Ott	Rankin
Sabb	Sutton	Tedder
Walker		

**Total--16**

**NAYS**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Davis	Devine	Fernandez
Garrett	Grooms	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Massey
Nutt	Peeler	Reichenbach
Rice	Stubbs	Turner
Young	Zell	

**Total--26**

Having failed to receive the necessary vote, the motion to table failed.

Senator JACKSON spoke on the amendment.

Senator CROMER spoke on the amendment.

Senator TEDDER spoke on the amendment.

Senator OTT moved to lay the amendment on the table.

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The amendment was laid on the table.

**Point of Order**

Senator HUTTO raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that Proviso 118.21 of Part 1B was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

**118.21.** (SR: Income Tax Reduction) For the ~~2024~~ 2025 income tax year, the top marginal rate imposed on the South Carolina taxable income of individuals, estates, trusts, and any other entity except those taxed or exempted from taxation under Sections 12-6-530 through 12-6-550 ~~of the S.C. Code~~, equals ~~6.2~~ 6.0%. The bracket to which the ~~6.2~~ 6.0% applies must be the same as the bracket for which the top marginal rate would have otherwise applied.

Senator MATTHEWS spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator PEELER spoke on the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT sustained the Point of Order.

The proviso was ruled out of order.

**Motion Adopted**

On motion of Senator CORBIN, with unanimous consent, Amendment No. 26A was withdrawn.

**Point of Order**

Senator ADAMS raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that Proviso 3.6 of Part 1B was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

**3.6.** (LEA: Ticket Sales) For Fiscal Year 2025-26, the sale of lottery game tickets can be made in cash or by debit card payment

The PRESIDENT sustained the Point of Order.

Proviso 3.6 was ruled out of order.

**Amendment No. 33**

Senator SABB proposed the following amendment (AM SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS), which was adopted (#19):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 63, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, pages 433-434, proviso 63.8, by amending the proviso to read:

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/ (DPS: School Safety Program) (A) Funds appropriated for the School Safety Program and School Resource Officers in this act shall be utilized by the department for the purpose of hiring certified law enforcement officers to serve as a school resource officer for school districts, including the South Carolina Public Charter School District and schools authorized by an institution of higher learning, that otherwise would lack the adequate resources to hire their own school resource officers. In making determinations of eligibility, the department shall use the most recent index of taxpaying ability as the district's indicator of ability to pay with districts of the lowest index of taxpaying ability receiving priority consideration. Districts, in collaboration with a local law enforcement agency of its choosing, must apply for funding through the department. In making awards the department shall provide funding directly to the local law enforcement agency, or private companies, as authorized, to pay for the cost of the law enforcement officer that shall serve as a full time school resource officer. Unexpended funds may be carried forward and expended for salaries, equipment, and training. School district superintendents shall provide to the department at the end of each quarter the number of full and part-time school resource officers that currently serve schools in their respective districts, regardless of the fund sources supporting those officers.

(B) Only school districts in Tier IV counties may be authorized by the department to use private companies to hire certified Class I law enforcement officers to serve as school resource officers.

(C) The Department of Education shall transfer any fund balance to the Department of Public Safety by August 15. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator MARTIN explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

#### **Amendment No. 36**

Senators MARTIN, LEBER, JACKSON and WALKER proposed the following amendment (AM IN-DISTRICT COMPENSATION), which was adopted (#20):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 91, LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, page 464, proviso 91.13, line 22, by striking /\$1,000/ and inserting /\$2,500/.

Renumber sections to conform.

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Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator MARTIN explained the amendment.

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 24; Nays 15**

**AYES**

Adams	Allen	Blackmon
Chaplin	Corbin	Cromer
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Hembree
Hutto	Jackson	Leber
Martin	Matthews	Nutt
Sabb	Sutton	Tedder
Verdin	Walker	Zell

**Total--24**

**NAYS**

Alexander	Bennett	Cash
Climer	Davis	Fernandez
Grooms	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Massey	Peeler	Reichenbach
Rice	Turner	Young

**Total--15**

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 32**

Senator TEDDER proposed the following amendment (4025R003.CM.DTT.DOCX), which was carried over and subsequently withdrawn:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 96, SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE, page 473, after line 32, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/96. (SS: Oath of Office). Within three days of the signing of this act, the Secretary of the State shall notify in writing each state board or commission, and any board or commission of any political subdivision of this State, including school districts, that any such board or

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commission that does not provide certification of taking the oath of office by July 31, 2025, shall not receive any direct or indirect funding appropriated within this act. / /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator TEDDER explained the amendment.

On motion of Senator TEDDER, the amendment was carried over.

**Amendment No. 35A**

Senator YOUNG proposed the following amendment (SM BATTELLE ALLIANCE REPORTING V2), which was adopted (#21):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 93, DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, page 473, after line 3, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (DOA: Battelle Alliance Reporting) The Department of Administration, Executive Budget Office shall report quarterly to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, the Chairman of the House Education and Public Works Committee, and the Chairman of the Aiken County Legislative Delegation as to the expenditures, outcomes, progress, and any other information deemed relevant by the office as it relates to funds appropriated in this act, or any other act, for the Battelle Alliance. The Commission on Higher Education and any entity that has received or will receive funding for this purpose shall supply the office with all information requested to satisfy these reporting requirements. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator YOUNG explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 34**

Senator KIMBRELL proposed the following amendment (DG\4025C010.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was ruled out of order:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 113, AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER, page 500, after line 18, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

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/ (AS-TREAS: Withholding of funds) In the current fiscal year, the State Treasurer shall not release any funds appropriated to the Local Government Fund to any municipality that, by ordinance, prohibits medical and mental health professionals from providing conversion therapy or reparative therapy to minors at any time during the current fiscal year. Conversion therapy or reparative therapy means any practice or treatment that seeks to change an individual's sexual orientation or gender identity, including efforts to change behaviors or gender expressions or to eliminate or reduce sexual or romantic attractions or feelings toward individuals of the same gender.

Nothing in this proviso prohibits a medical or mental health professional from offering assistance to a minor struggling with gender identity so long as the assistance does not encourage gender transition/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator KIMBRELL explained the amendment.

#### **Point of Order**

Senator DEVINE raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that the amendment was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

Senator KIMBRELL spoke on the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT sustained the Point of Order.

The amendment was ruled out of order.

#### **Amendment No. 31**

Senator CAMPSEN proposed the following amendment (DG\4025C001.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was adopted (#22):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, by striking proviso 117.185 and inserting:

/ 117.185. (GP: Regulation Review Period) In the current fiscal year, the ~~one hundred twenty day~~ legislative review period for regulations is tolled, except for the period beginning on the second Tuesday in January and ending on the second Thursday in May. No funds appropriated or authorized in this act may be expended, in contradiction of this proviso, to make a regulation become effective by automatic approval by publication in the State Register. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

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Senator CAMPSSEN explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 30**

Senator BENNETT and KIMBRELL proposed the following amendment (AM INVESTMENT OF FUNDS), which was adopted (#23):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 566, after line 27, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (GP: Fund Investment) In the current fiscal year, the Office of State Treasurer may not invest any funds under their control in investments who consider an investment factor whose pecuniary effect is not directly tied to maximizing investment returns. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator BENNETT explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 39A**

Senators DEVINE and ZELL proposed the following amendment (DG4025C013.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was carried over and subsequently withdrawn:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 607, after line 14, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (SR: Food desert pilot program) (A) In the current fiscal year, the Department of Revenue, in consultation with the Department of Commerce, shall operate a pilot program that provides incentives to a grocer that opens a new location in a food desert or to a taxpayer that operates a business in a food desert that changes its business strategy or inventory so as to become a grocer in a food desert. Incentives may include, but are not limited to tax credits, deductions, and sales tax refunds. The Department of Revenue may utilize interest earned on unclaimed refunds to fund the program. The department shall issue a report to the General Assembly by June first of the current fiscal year detailing the expenditures and results of the program.

(B) For purposes of this proviso:



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(1) "Food desert" means an area in which at least thirty-three percent of the population lives more than one mile from a grocery store or supermarket.

(2) "Grocer" means a retail establishment that sells primarily fruits, vegetables, meats, dairy products, and whole grains. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator DEVINE explained the amendment.

On motion of Senator DEVINE, the amendment was carried over.

Senator CAMPSSEN asked unanimous consent to return to Amendment No. 37.

**Amendment No. 37**

Senators CAMPSSEN, GARRETT, SABB, STUBBS, GRAHAM, OTT, SUTTON, CORBIN, ALEXANDER, KENNEDY, LEBER and ZELL proposed the following amendment (SA\4025C007.JN.SA25.DOCX), which was adopted (#24):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 73, OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF, page 447, after line 32, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (ORS: Coal Plant Conversion) From the funds appropriated to the Office of Regulatory Staff, in collaboration with the investor-owned utilities and the South Carolina Public Service Authority, as appropriate, the office shall evaluate the feasibility of converting retiring coal plants into biomass plants fueled by woodchips or other organic matter. The Office of Regulatory Staff may engage third parties with relevant prior experience conducting similar evaluations. The cost of any experts and consultants engaged by the Office of Regulatory Staff for purposes of this proviso shall be assessed to the electrical utilities pro rata based on their five-year average of retail peak demand and shall be recoverable by the electrical utilities through their base rate for fuel costs established pursuant to Section 58-27-865. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator CAMPSSEN explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

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**Motion Adopted**

On motion of Senator PEELER, with unanimous consent and with Senator CAMPSSEN retaining the floor, no further amendments would be accepted after 5:30 P.M., with the exception of substitute amendments for only minor, technical and conforming changes, and any necessary technical and balancing amendments to be delivered and certified by the Clerk and to be adopted upon his certification for inclusion in the Bill.

**Amendment No. 29**

Senator RANKIN proposed the following amendment (AM LICENSE RENEWAL), which was adopted (#25):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 81, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION, page 452, after line 27, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (LLR: License Renewal) From the funds appropriated to Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the Real Estate Commission shall, upon application, renew the expired license of any licensee of a broker or associate with twenty-five years or more of licensure in South Carolina and who is sixty-five years of age so long as, at the time of expiration, the licensee was in good standing with the commission. Upon renewal, the licensee is exempt from continuing education requirements as provided by law. The applicant must pay the renewal fee as provided by law and the commission may use such revenues to further the mission of the commission. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator RANKIN explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Motion Adopted**

Senator TEDDER asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 32 and proceed to Amendment No. 41A.

**Amendment No. 41A**

Senator TEDDER proposed the following amendment (4025R007.CM.DTT.DOCX), which was adopted (#26):

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Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 96, SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE, page 473, after line 32, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ 96. (SS: Oath of Office). By July 7, 2025, the Secretary of the State shall notify in writing each state board or commission and each clerk of the forty-six county councils that any such board or commission that does not provide certification of taking the oath of office by July 31, 2025 to the agency under which their funds are initially appropriated to, shall not receive any direct or indirect funding appropriated within this act. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator TEDDER explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 42**

Senator KIMBRELL proposed the following amendment (DG\4025C016.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was adopted (#27):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 113, AID TO SUBDIVISIONS - STATE TREASURER, page 500, after line 18, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (AS-TREAS: Disgorging of funds) In the current fiscal year, if a municipality receives funds from the Local Government and, by ordinance, prohibits medical and mental health professionals from providing conversion therapy or reparative therapy to minors at any time during the current fiscal year, then the Treasurer must claw back all such funds of the municipality to the Local Government Fund.. Conversion therapy or reparative therapy means any practice or treatment that seeks to change an individual's sexual orientation or gender identity, including efforts to change behaviors or gender expressions or to eliminate or reduce sexual or romantic attractions or feelings toward individuals of the same gender.

Nothing in this proviso prohibits a medical or mental health professional from offering assistance to a minor struggling with gender identity so long as the assistance does not encourage gender transition/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator KIMBRELL explained the amendment.

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**Point of Order**

Senator DEVINE raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that the amendment was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

Senator KIMBRELL spoke on the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT overruled the Point of Order.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 43**

Senators PEELER and TURNER proposed the following amendment (AM TAX RATE), which was adopted (#28):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 566, after line 27, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

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

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator PEELER explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

**Amendment No. 48**

Senators CLIMER and LEBER proposed the following amendment (SM TWO SEXES), which was adopted (#29):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 117, GENERAL PROVISIONS, page 566, after line 27, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (GP: Two Sexes) For the current fiscal year, state agencies, as well as state-supported institutions of higher learning that directly or indirectly receive funds appropriated or authorized through the general appropriations act, shall adopt a policy consistent with federal law as established in the President's Executive Order No. 14168 entitled "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government" signed on January 20, 2025, including but not limited to an affirmation that there exists only two biological sexes: "male" and "female." The agencies shall provide written notice to all their employees, students, the public, and all related personnel of the policy immediately upon adoption. /

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator CLIMER explained the amendment.

**Point of Order**

Senator HUTTO raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that the amendment was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

Senator CLIMER spoke on the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT overruled the Point of Order.

The amendment was adopted.

**Motion Adopted**

Senator DEVINE asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 39A and proceed to Amendment No. 45.

**Amendment No. 45**

Senators DEVINE, JACKSON and ZELL proposed the following amendment (DG\4025C017.CC.DG25.DOCX), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 607, after line 14, by adding an appropriately numbered new proviso to read:

/ (SR: Food desert pilot program) (A) In the current fiscal year, the Department of Revenue, in consultation with the Department of Commerce, shall operate a pilot program that provides incentives to a grocer that opens a new location in a food desert or to a taxpayer that operates a business in a food desert that changes its business strategy or inventory so as to become a grocer in a food desert. Incentives may include, but are not limited to tax credits, deductions, and sales tax refunds. The Department of Revenue may utilize up to one million dollars in interest earned on unclaimed refunds to fund the program. The department shall issue a report to the General Assembly by June first of the current fiscal year detailing the expenditures and results of the program.

(B) For purposes of this proviso:

(1) "Food desert" means an area in which at least thirty-three percent of the population lives more than one mile from a grocery store or supermarket.

(2) "Grocer" means a retail establishment that sells primarily fruits, vegetables, meats, dairy products, and whole grains. /

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Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

Senator DEVINE explained the amendment.

**Point of Order**

Senator PEELER raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that the amendment was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

Senator DEVINE spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator GROOMS spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator PEELER asked unanimous consent to withdraw the Point of Order.

Senator PEELER moved to lay the amendment on the table.

The amendment was laid on the table.

**Motion Adopted**

Senator CLIMER asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 47.

**Motion Adopted**

Senator CLIMER asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment Nos. 38 and 40.

**Point of Order**

Senator DEVINE raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that Proviso 23.3 of Part 1B was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

**23.3.** (MUSC: Pediatric Transgender Clinic) No funds appropriated to MUSC pursuant to this appropriations act shall be used to fund or support any action furthering the gender transition of a minor child under the age of sixteen. This proviso shall not prohibit MUSC from providing medically necessary treatment that is unrelated to physical gender transition. Further, this proviso does not prohibit mental health counseling services.

Senator DEVINE spoke on the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT sustained the Point of Order.

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The proviso was ruled out of order.

### Point of Order

Senator DEVINE raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that Proviso 27.1 of Part 1B was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

**27.1.** (LIB: Aid to Counties Libraries Allotment) The amount appropriated in this section for “Aid to County Libraries” shall be allotted to each county on a per capita basis according to the official United States Census For 2020, as aid to the County Library. No county shall be allocated less than \$150,000 under this provision. Counties shall receive their allocations in two equal parts To receive this aid, local library support shall not be less than the amount actually expended for library operations from local sources in the second preceding year. Prior to receiving ~~any~~ each of these ~~funds~~ allocations, county libraries must certify to the State Library and have an adopted policy in place that their county libraries do not offer any books or materials that appeal to the prurient interest of children under the age of seventeen in children’s, youth, or teen book sections of libraries and are only made available with explicit parental consent. Failure to provide these certifications in a manner satisfactory to the State Library shall result in the immediate withholding of the allocation. If the local Legislative Delegation presents evidence that these requirements are not being met by a county library, the delegation may request a comprehensive review of the certification by the State Library. All remaining funds shall be withheld until the State Library verifies full compliance with these requirements and issues a written determination of compliance to the delegation.

Senator DEVINE spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator RICE spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator TEDDER spoke on the Point of Order.

### Motion Adopted

Senator DEVINE asked unanimous consent to withdraw the Point of Order on proviso 27.1.

The Point of Order was withdrawn.

### Point of Order

Senator DEVINE raised a Point of Order under Rule 24A that Proviso 65.28 of Part 1B was out of order inasmuch as it was not germane to the Bill.

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**65.28.** (CORR: Prohibition on Funding Certain Surgery) (A) The Department of Corrections is prohibited from using state funds or state resources to provide a prisoner in the state prison system sexual reassignment surgery; however, if a person is taking hormonal therapy at the time the person is committed to the Department of Corrections, the department shall continue to provide this therapy to the person as long as medically necessary for the health of the person.

(B) As used in this provision:

(1) "Hormonal therapy" means the use of hormones to stimulate the development or alteration of a person's sexual characteristics in order to alter the person's physical appearance so that the person appears more like the opposite gender.

(2) "Sexual reassignment surgery" means a surgical procedure to alter a person's physical appearance so that the person appears more like the opposite gender.

Senator DEVINE spoke on the Point of Order.

Senator CASH spoke on the Point of Order.

**Motion Adopted**

Senator DEVINE asked unanimous consent to withdraw the Point of Order on proviso 65.28.

The Point of Order was withdrawn.

Senator MATTHEWS spoke on the Bill.

**Amendment No. 49  
(Balancing Amendment)**

The following technical correcting and balancing amendments, as attested to by the Clerk of the Senate, were adopted upon his certification for inclusion in H. 4025, the General Appropriation Bill, as follows:

Senator PEELER proposed the following amendment (AM BALANCING), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 340, proviso 3.7, line 33, by striking /\$56,100,000/ and inserting /\$51,100,000/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 3, LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, page 340, proviso 3.7, line 34, by striking /\$80,000,000/ and inserting /\$69,127,000/



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Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 597, proviso 118.20, line 22, by striking /\$121,319,000/ and inserting /\$124,319,000/

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Part IB, Section 118, STATEWIDE REVENUE, page 597, proviso 118.20, line 32, by striking /\$121,319,000/ and inserting /\$124,319,000/

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend sections, totals and title to conform.

There being no further amendments, in accordance with Rule 16, the Senate proceeded to vote on each section of the Bill.

Senator PEELER spoke on the Bill.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 1, Part 1A and Part 1B, Department of Education.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

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**Total--1**

Section 1, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 1A, Part 1B, Department of Education-EIA.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 1A, Part 1B, was adopted.

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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 2, Part 1A, Office of First Steps.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 2, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 3, Part 1A and Part 1B, Lottery Expenditure Account.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis

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Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 3, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 4, Part 1A, Education Oversight Committee.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

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**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Martin

Matthews

**Total--2**

Section 4, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 5, Part 1A and Part 1B, Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Matthews
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Massey

**Total--1**

Section 5, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 6, Part 1A and Part 1B, School for the Deaf and Blind.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 6, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 7, Part 1A and Part 1B, John de la Howe School.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer

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Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 7, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 8, Part 1A and Part 1B, Education Television Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin

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Walker	Young	Zell
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**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 8, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 9, Part 1A and Part 1B, Governor's School for Arts and Humanities.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 9, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.



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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 10, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Governor's School for Science and Mathematics.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 10, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 11, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Commission on Higher Education.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen

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Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 11, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 12, Part 1A, Higher Education Tuition Grants.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton

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Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 12, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 13, Part 1A, The Citadel.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 13, Part 1A, was adopted.

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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 14, Part 1A and Part 1B, Clemson University.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 14, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 15, Part 1A, Charleston University.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Devine

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Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis

**Total--1**

Section 15, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 16, Part 1A, Coastal Carolina University.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey

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Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 16, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 17, Part 1A, Francis Marion University.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

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**Total--1**

Section 17, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 18, Part 1A, Lander University.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 18, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 19, Part 1A and Part 1B, S.C. State University.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 19, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 20A-H, Part 1A and Part 1B, University of South Carolina.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham



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Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Kennedy

**Total--1**

Section 20A-H, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 21, Part 1A, Winthrop University.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton

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Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 21, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 23, Part 1A and Part 1B, Medical University of South Carolina.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 3; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Leber
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Kimbrell	Martin	Matthews
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**Total--3**

**ABSTAIN**

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Stubbs

**Total--1**

Section 23, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 24, Part 1A, Area Health Education Consortium.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Fernandez	Matthews
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**Total--2**

Section 24, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 25, Part 1A and Part 1B, Technical and Comprehensive Education Board.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 25, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 26, Part 1A and Part 1B, Archives and History.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham

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Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 26, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 27, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Library.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--40**

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**NAYS**

Climer	Leber	Matthews
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**Total--3**

Section 27, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 28, Part 1A and Part 1B, Arts Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 38; Nays 5**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kimbrell	Martin	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--38**

**NAYS**

Corbin	Kennedy	Leber
Massey	Matthews	

**Total--5**

Section 28, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 29, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Museum Commission.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 29, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 30, Part 1A and Part 1B, Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham

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Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews	Walker
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**Total--2**

Section 30, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 31, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Public Health.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 33; Nays 8; Abstain 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Cromer
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--33**

**NAYS**

Climer	Corbin	Kimbrell
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Leber	Martin	Matthews
Reichenbach	Rice	

**Total--8**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis	Gambrell
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**Total--2**

Section 31, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 32, Part 1A and Part 1B, Vocational Rehabilitation.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Corbin	Matthews
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**Total--2**

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Section 32, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 33, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Health and Human Services.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 32; Nays 8; Abstain 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Chaplin
Corbin	Cromer	Devine
Elliott	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Hutto	Jackson	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--32**

**NAYS**

Cash	Climer	Fernandez
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Matthews	

**Total--8**

**ABSTAIN**

Campsen	Davis	Kennedy
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**Total--3**

Section 33, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 35, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Mental Health.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 35, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 36, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (DDSN).**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin

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Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen

**Total--1**

Section 36, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 37, Part 1A and Part 1B, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber

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Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen

**Total--1**

Section 37, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 38, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Social Services.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 36; Nays 1; Abstain 6**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Fernandez	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Jackson	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Turner
Verdin	Young	Zell

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**Total--36**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen

Elliott

Hutto

Kennedy

Tedder

Walker

**Total--6**

Section 38, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 39, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Commission for the Blind.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams

Alexander

Allen

Bennett

Blackmon

Campsen

Cash

Chaplin

Climer

Corbin

Cromer

Davis

Devine

Elliott

Fernandez

Gambrell

Garrett

Graham

Grooms

Hembree

Hutto

Jackson

Kennedy

Kimbrell

Leber

Martin

Massey

Nutt

Ott

Peeler

Rankin

Reichenbach

Rice

Sabb

Stubbs

Sutton

Tedder

Turner

Verdin

Walker

Young

Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

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**Total--1**

Section 39, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 40, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department on Aging.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 40, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 41, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Children's Advocacy.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 41, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 42, Part 1A and Part 1B, Housing Finance and Development.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 1; Abstain 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Elliott
Fernandez	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree



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Hutto	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis

Devine

**Total--2**

Section 42, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 43, Part 1A and Part 1B, Forestry Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 1; Abstain 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Sutton

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Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Campsen	Hutto	Stubbs
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**Total--3**

Section 43, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 44, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Agriculture.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 1; Abstain 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--40**

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**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Chaplin

Hutto

**Total--2**

Section 44, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 45, Part 1A and Part 1B, Clemson University - PSA.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

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Section 45, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 46, Part 1A, S. C. State University-PSA.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 46, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 47, Part 1A and Part 1B, Department of Natural Resources.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 1; Abstain 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
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Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Kennedy                      Stubbs

**Total--2**

Section 47, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 48, Part 1A and Part 1B, Sea Grants Consortium.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms

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Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Fernandez	Matthews
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**Total--2**

Section 48, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 49, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

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**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 49, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 50, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Commerce.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 37; Nays 5; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Cromer
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kimbrell	Leber
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--37**

**NAYS**

Climer	Corbin	Kennedy
Martin	Matthews	

**Total--5**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis

**Total--1**

Section 50, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 51, Part 1A, Jobs-Economic Development Authority (JEDA).**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Climer

**Total--1**

Section 51, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 52, Part 1A and Part 1B, Patriots Point Development Authority.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**



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**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 52, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 53, Part 1A and Part 1B, S. C. Conservation Bank.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt

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Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Fernandez	Matthews
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**Total--2**

Section 53, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 54, Part 1A and Part 1B, Rural Infrastructure Authority.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

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**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis

**Total--1**

Section 54, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 55, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Environmental Services.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 1; Abstain 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis

Hutto

Stubbs

**Total--3**

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Section 55, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 57, Part 1A and Part 1B, Judicial Department.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 36; Nays 0; Abstain 7**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Cash	Chaplin
Climer	Corbin	Cromer
Davis	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Sutton	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--36**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Campsen	Devine
Hembree	Matthews	Stubbs
Tedder		

**Total--7**

Section 57, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 58, Part 1A and Part 1B, Administrative Law Court.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 29; Nays 0; Abstain 14**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Cash	Chaplin
Climer	Corbin	Cromer
Davis	Devine	Fernandez
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Jackson	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Reichenbach
Rice	Sutton	Turner
Verdin	Zell	

**Total--29**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Campsen	Elliott
Gambrell	Hembree	Hutto
Kennedy	Matthews	Rankin
Sabb	Stubbs	Tedder
Walker	Young	

**Total--14**

Section 58, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 59, Part 1A and Part 1B, Attorney General's Office.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 36; Nays 1; Abstain 6**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Blackmon
Campsen	Cash	Chaplin

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Climer	Corbin	Cromer
Davis	Devine	Elliott
Fernandez	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Stubbs
Sutton	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--36**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Bennett	Hembree
Hutto	Sabb	Tedder

**Total--6**

Section 59, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 60, Part 1A and Part 1B, Prosecution Coordination.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 1; Abstain 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hutto	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin

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Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Hembree	Sabb
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**Total--3**

Section 60, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 61, Part 1A and Part 1B, Indigent Defense.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 36; Nays 1; Abstain 6**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Elliott
Fernandez	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Turner
Verdin	Young	Zell

**Total--36**

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**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen

Devine

Gambrell

Hembree

Tedder

Walker

**Total--6**

Section 61, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 62, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Law Enforcement Division (SLED).**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 0; Abstain 4**

**AYES**

Adams

Alexander

Bennett

Blackmon

Campsen

Cash

Chaplin

Climer

Corbin

Cromer

Davis

Devine

Elliott

Fernandez

Gambrell

Garrett

Graham

Grooms

Hembree

Jackson

Kennedy

Kimbrell

Leber

Martin

Massey

Nutt

Ott

Peeler

Rankin

Reichenbach

Rice

Sabb

Sutton

Tedder

Turner

Verdin

Walker

Young

Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**



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**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Hutto	Matthews
Stubbs		

**Total--4**

Section 62, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 63, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Public Safety.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 37; Nays 0; Abstain 6**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Stubbs	Sutton
Turner	Verdin	Young
Zell		

**Total--37**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Hutto	Matthews
Sabb	Tedder	Walker

**Total--6**

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Section 63, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 64, Part 1A and Part 1B, Law Enforcement Training Council.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 1; Abstain 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen                      Hutto

**Total--2**

Section 64, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 65, Part 1A and Part 1B, Department of Corrections.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 36; Nays 1; Abstain 6**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sutton	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--36**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Gambrell	Hutto
Sabb	Stubbs	Tedder

**Total--6**

Section 65, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 66, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 31; Nays 1; Abstain 11**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Fernandez	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Jackson	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Reichenbach	Rice	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Zell		

**Total--31**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Elliott	Gambrell
Hembree	Hutto	Kennedy
Rankin	Sabb	Stubbs
Walker	Young	

**Total--11**

Section 66, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 67, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Juvenile Justice.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 37; Nays 1; Abstain 5**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
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Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Turner	Verdin	Young
Zell		

**Total--37**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Hembree	Hutto
Tedder	Walker	

**Total--5**

Section 67, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 70, Part 1A and Part 1B, Human Affairs Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 4**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree

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Hutto	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Climer	Fernandez	Leber
Matthews		

**Total--4**

Section 70, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 71, Part 1A and Part 1B, Minority Affairs Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 4**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Hutto	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

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**NAYS**

Climer	Fernandez	Leber
Matthews		

**Total--4**

Section 71, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 72, Part 1A and Part 1B, Public Service Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Rankin

**Total--1**

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Section 72, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 73, Part 1A and Part 1B, Office of  
Regulatory Staff.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 1; Abstain 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis                      Rankin

**Total--2**

Section 73, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.



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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 74, Part 1A and Part 1B, Workers' Compensation Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 28; Nays 0; Abstain 15**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Elliott	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Jackson
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Reichenbach	Rice
Sutton	Turner	Verdin
Zell		

**Total--28**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Davis	Devine
Fernandez	Gambrell	Hembree
Hutto	Kennedy	Matthews
Rankin	Sabb	Stubbs
Tedder	Walker	Young

**Total--15**

Section 74, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 75, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Accident Fund.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 32; Nays 0; Abstain 11**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Devine	Elliott
Fernandez	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Reichenbach
Rice	Sutton	Turner
Verdin	Zell	

**Total--32**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Davis	Gambrell
Kennedy	Matthews	Rankin
Sabb	Stubbs	Tedder
Walker	Young	

**Total--11**

Section 75, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 78, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Insurance.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 38; Nays 1; Abstain 4**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen

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Cash	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Sutton
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--38**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Climer	Hutto	Stubbs
Tedder		

**Total--4**

Section 78, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 79, Part 1A and Part 1B, Board of Financial Institutions.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson

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Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Climer

**Total--1**

Section 79, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 80, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Consumer Affairs.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 3; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin

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Walker	Young	Zell
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**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Climer	Massey	Matthews
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**Total--3**

**ABSTAIN**

Rankin

**Total--1**

Section 80, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 81, Part 1A and Part 1B, Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR).**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 32; Nays 2; Abstain 9**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Elliott	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Jackson	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Reichenbach
Rice	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Zell	

**Total--32**

**NAYS**

Fernandez	Matthews
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**Total--2**

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**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Davis	Devine
Gambrell	Hutto	Kennedy
Rankin	Sabb	Young

**Total--9**

Section 81, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 82, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Motor Vehicles.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 34; Nays 0; Abstain 9**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Devine	Fernandez
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Turner	Verdin
Zell		

**Total--34**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Davis	Elliott
Gambrell	Kennedy	Matthews
Tedder	Walker	Young

**Total--9**

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Section 82, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 83, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Employment and Workforce (DEW).**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 1; Abstain 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Devine	Elliott
Fernandez	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Grooms	Hembree
Hutto	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Davis	Sabb
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**Total--3**

Section 83, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 84, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Transportation.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 39; Nays 0; Abstain 4**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis	Hutto	Matthews
Tedder		

**Total--4**

Section 84, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 85, Part 1A and Part 1B, Infrastructure Bank Board.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen



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Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 85, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 86, Part 1A and Part 1B, County Transportation Funds.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton

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Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 86, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 87, Part 1A and Part 1B, Division of Aeronautics.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

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Section 87, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 88, Part 1B, Ports Authority.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 88, Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 91, A-E, Part 1A and Part 1B, Legislative Department.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 32; Nays 8; Abstain 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash

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Chaplin	Corbin	Cromer
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Leber	Martin
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Verdin
Walker	Zell	

**Total--32**

**NAYS**

Climer	Davis	Kimbrell
Massey	Matthews	Reichenbach
Rice	Young	

**Total--8**

**ABSTAIN**

Bennett	Hembree	Turner
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**Total--3**

Section 91A-E, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 92, A and C, Part 1A and Part 1B, Governor's Office.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell

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Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 92, A and C, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 92D, Part 1A and Part 1B, Office of Resilience.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

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Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Campsen

**Total--1**

Section 92D, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 93, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Department of Administration.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

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Sutton

**Total--1**

Section 93, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 94, Part 1A and Part 1B, Office of Inspector General.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 94, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 96, Part 1A and Part 1B, Secretary of State.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 96, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 97, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Comptroller General.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham



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Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 97, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 98, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Treasurer.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

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**NAYS**

Devine

Matthews

**Total--2**

Section 98, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 99, Part 1A and Part 1B,  
Retirement System Investment Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 99, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 100, Part 1A and Part 1B, Adjutant  
General.**

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The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 100, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 101, Part 1A and Part 1B, Veterans Affairs.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham

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Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 101, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 102, Part 1A and Part 1B, Election Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 37; Nays 2; Abstain 4**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Jackson	Kimbrell
Leber	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--37**

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**NAYS**

Martin

Matthews

**Total--2**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen  
Sabb

Hutto

Kennedy

**Total--4**

Section 102, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 103, Part 1A and Part 1B, Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams

Alexander

Allen

Bennett

Blackmon

Campsen

Cash

Chaplin

Climer

Corbin

Cromer

Davis

Devine

Elliott

Fernandez

Gambrell

Garrett

Graham

Grooms

Hembree

Hutto

Jackson

Kennedy

Kimbrell

Leber

Martin

Massey

Nutt

Ott

Peeler

Rankin

Reichenbach

Rice

Sabb

Stubbs

Sutton

Tedder

Turner

Verdin

Walker

Young

Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

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Section 103, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 104, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Fiscal Accountability Authority.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Massey	Matthews
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**Total--2**

Section 104, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 105, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Auditor's Office.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
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Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 105, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 106, Part 1A and Part 1B, Statewide Employee Benefits.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb

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Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Martin	Matthews
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**Total--2**

Section 106, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 107, Part 1A, Capital and General Reserve Fund.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**



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Section 107, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 108, Part 1A and Part 1B, Public Employee Benefit Authority.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 40; Nays 3**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Rankin	Reichenbach
Rice	Sabb	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Young
Zell		

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

Fernandez	Martin	Matthews
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**Total--3**

Section 108, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 109, Part 1A and Part 1B, Department of Revenue.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 36; Nays 1; Abstain 6**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
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Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Devine	Elliott
Fernandez	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Stubbs
Sutton	Tedder	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Zell

**Total--36**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Davis	Gambrell
Hutto	Sabb	Young

**Total--6**

Section 109, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 110, Part 1A and Part 1B, State Ethics Commission.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 33; Nays 1; Abstain 9**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Bennett
Blackmon	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Devine	Elliott
Fernandez	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Jackson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin

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Massey	Nutt	Ott
Peeler	Reichenbach	Rice
Stubbs	Sutton	Turner
Verdin	Walker	Zell

**Total--33**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen	Davis	Gambrell
Hembree	Hutto	Rankin
Sabb	Tedder	Young

**Total--9**

Section 110, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 111, Part 1A and Part 1B, Procurement Review Panel.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker

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Young

Zell

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Sabb

**Total--1**

Section 111, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 112, Part 1A and Part 1B, Debt Service.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

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Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 112, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 113, Part 1A and Part 1B, Aid to Subdivisions - State Treasurer.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 1; Abstain 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

**ABSTAIN**

Davis

**Total--1**

Section 113, Part 1A and Part 1B, was adopted.

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**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 115, Part 1A, Tax Relief Trust Fund.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 42; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Fernandez
Gambrell	Garrett	Graham
Grooms	Hembree	Hutto
Jackson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Massey
Nutt	Ott	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Young	Zell

**Total--42**

**NAYS**

Matthews

**Total--1**

Section 115, Part 1A, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 117, Part 1B, General Provisions.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis

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Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
Young	Zell	

**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Fernandez	Matthews
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**Total--2**

Section 117, Part 1B, was adopted.

**The Senate proceeded to Sect. 118, Part 1B, Statewide Revenue.**

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Grooms
Hembree	Hutto	Jackson
Kennedy	Kimbrell	Leber
Martin	Massey	Nutt
Ott	Peeler	Rankin
Reichenbach	Rice	Sabb
Stubbs	Sutton	Tedder
Turner	Verdin	Walker
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**Total--41**

**NAYS**

Fernandez

Matthews

**Total--2**

Section 118, Part 1B, was adopted.

The question then was third reading of the Bill.

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
Corbin	Cromer	Davis
Devine	Elliott	Gambrell
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**NAYS**

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Matthews

**Total--2**

The Bill, as amended, was read the third time, passed and ordered returned to the House of Representatives with amendments.

Senator PEELER spoke on the Bill.



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**HOUSE BILL RETURNED**

H. 4026 -- Ways and Means Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONIES FROM THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025, AND TO ALLOW UNEXPENDED FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS AND EXPENDED FOR THE SAME PURPOSES.

The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Joint Resolution. The question being third reading of the Resolution.

The “ayes” and “nays” were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 41; Nays 2**

**AYES**

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Blackmon	Campsen
Cash	Chaplin	Climer
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**Total—41**

**NAYS**

Fernandez	Matthews
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**Total—2**

The Joint Resolution, as amended, was read the third time, passed and ordered returned to the House.

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**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senators MATTHEWS and CAMPSSEN rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Remarks to be Printed**

On motion of Senator SABB, with unanimous consent, the remarks of Senators MATTHEWS and CAMPSSEN, when reduced to writing and made available to the Desk, would be printed in the Journal.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senator SABB rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Motion to Ratify Adopted**

At 7:48 P.M., on motion of Senator MASSEY, the House of Representatives was invited to attend the Senate Chamber for the purpose of ratifying Acts at a mutually convenient time.

A message was sent to the House accordingly.

**Motion Adopted**

On motion of Senator MASSEY, the Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:49 P.M., on motion of Senator MASSEY, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11:00 A.M.

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