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HOUSE EDUCATION & PUBLIC WORKS FULL COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE

**TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021
AT 1.5 HOURS UPON ADJOURNMENT
Blatt Room 433**

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I. Call to Order

Rita Allison, Chair

II. Invocation

Terry Alexander, 2nd Vice Chair

III. K-12 Subcommittee:

Raye Felder, Chair

H. 3925 -- Reps. Allison, Trantham, Felder, Simrill, Ligon, Collins, Calhoon, Huggins, McCabe and Pope: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO WAIVE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF SECTION 59-63-100 OF THE 1976 CODE RELATING TO LIMITATIONS ON HOMESCHOOL STUDENT ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES FOR THE 2021-2022 AND 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEARS.

THIS BILL WAS REPORTED FAVORABLY AS AMENDED BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-2-202).

H. 3614 -- Reps. Lucas, Allison and Felder: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-39-105 SO AS TO PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SHALL COMPLETE AND SUBMIT A FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID BEFORE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, TO PROVIDE EXEMPTIONS, TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE

PROVISIONS, AND TO MAKE THESE PROVISIONS APPLICABLE BEGINNING WITH THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR. **THIS BILL WAS REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-2-2021).**

H. 3590 -- Reps. Allison and Lucas: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-18-1115 SO AS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAY HIRE NONCERTIFIED TEACHERS FOR ANY SCHOOLS AND CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTERS THAT HAVE VACANT TEACHING POSITIONS FIVE BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR, TO PROVIDE THESE NONCERTIFIED TEACHERS MAY COMPRISE NO MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE ENTIRE TEACHING STAFF OF A SCHOOL OR CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER, TO PROVIDE ACADEMIC AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR THESE NONCERTIFIED TEACHERS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION AND TERMINATION OF THESE NONCERTIFIED TEACHERS.

THIS BILL WAS REPORTED FAVORABLY AS AMENDED BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-2-2021).

H. 3465 -- Reps. Gilliam, B. Newton, Atkinson, Long, McCravy, Forrest, Caskey and Felder: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-26-42 SO AS TO PROVIDE A PERSON WHO HOLDS A PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR TWENTY OR MORE YEARS AND WHO TEACHES IN THIS STATE FOR TWENTY OR MORE YEARS MAY RENEW ANNUALLY THE CERTIFICATE BY PARTICIPATING IN REQUIRED DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT HAVING TO SATISFY ANY ADDITIONAL RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THESE PROVISIONS APPLY NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE CERTIFICATE RENEWAL PLAN DEVELOPED BY THE OFFICE OF TEACHER CERTIFICATION OR ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW.

THIS BILL WAS REPORTED FAVORABLY AS AMENDED BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-2-2021).

H. 3941 -- Reps. Alexander, Allison and Kirby: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT EMERGENCY SICK LEAVE PLANS USING CERTAIN FEDERAL FUNDS INTENDED FOR COVID-19 RELIEF, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH PLANS, TO PROVIDE RELATED SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, TO PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES WHO USE SUCH EMERGENCY SICK LEAVE, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. **IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.**

H. 3795 -- Rep. Allison: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 84 TO TITLE 40 SO AS TO REQUIRE A SPECIFIED LEVEL OF COMPETENCE FOR SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS USED BY CERTAIN ENTITIES OF STATE GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND HOSPITAL SYSTEMS, TO PROVIDE SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION SERVICES TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING AND HAVE CERTAIN SPEECH IMPAIRMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-33-120 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS FOR THE APPROPRIATE CREDENTIALING OF SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS IN PUBLIC AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS, AND TO REQUIRE INTERPRETERS FOR THE DEAF WORKING IN SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THIS STATE TO SUBMIT THE SAME BACKGROUND CHECKS AS EDUCATORS; TO AMEND SECTION 15-27-15, RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS BY THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FOR PARTIES OR WITNESSES WHO ARE DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES AND TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; AND TO MAKE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,

2022. IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.

H. 3883 -- Rep. Collins: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-360 SO AS TO PROVIDE A PROCESS FOR THE EXEMPTION OF COMPETENCY-BASED SCHOOLS FROM CERTAIN APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTING COMPETENCY-BASED EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION. **IF REPORTED FAVORABLY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.**

H. 3028 -- Reps. Huggins, Magnuson, Haddon and Hosey: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-28-115 SO AS TO PROVIDE A NECESSARY DEFINITION IN THE "PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION ACT"; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-28-180, RELATING TO RELATED EXPECTATIONS OF PARENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE SCHOOLS SHALL PROVIDE PARENTS WITH A RELATED PLEDGE OF PARENTAL EXPECTATIONS DURING ANNUAL REGISTRATION BEGINNING WITH THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR. **IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE, (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.**

H. 3064 -- Reps. Burns, McCravy, Chumley, Magnuson, Bryant, V.S. Moss, Haddon, Long, Pope, Trantham, Oremus, McGarry, McCabe and Bennett: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-325 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO MAKE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO REQUIRE THE DISPLAY OF THE OFFICIAL MOTTOS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND SOUTH CAROLINA. **IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.**

H. 3164 -- Reps. McCravy, V.S. Moss, Haddon, Long, Trantham, Oremus, McCabe, McGarry and Burns: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-63-105 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING WITH THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR, PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL MAKE ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTING AND CERTAIN OTHER TESTING AVAILABLE TO HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS RESIDING IN THE DISTRICT IF THE TESTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS ATTENDING PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICTS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED DUTIES OF SCHOOL BOARDS AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. **IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.**

H. 3319 -- Rep. King: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-63-785 SO AS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS MUST BE OFFERED THE SAME FEDERALLY REIMBURSABLE MEAL AS INELIGIBLE STUDENTS, TO PROVIDE SUCH MEALS MUST BE OFFERED REGARDLESS OF WHETHER STUDENTS OWE MONEY FOR PREVIOUS MEALS, TO PROVIDE SCHOOLS THAT OFFER FOOD AND BEVERAGES SEPARATELY FROM FEDERALLY REIMBURSABLE MEALS MAY NOT ALLOW STUDENTS TO ACCRUE BALANCES WHEN PURCHASING SUCH ITEMS AND ONLY MAY ACCEPT CASH PAYMENT OR ALLOW FUNDS TO BE ELECTRONICALLY DRAWN FROM PREPAID BALANCES, TO PROVIDE SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAY NOT PENALIZE STUDENTS FOR FAILING TO PAY FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES, AND TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL

DEVELOP AND PROVIDE A MODEL POLICY AND TEMPLATE REGARDING THE COLLECTION OF SCHOOL MEAL DEBT TO EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT.

IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.

H. 3002 -- Reps. Bennett, Burns, Chumley, Magnuson, McCravy, Taylor, Haddon, Pope, Gilliam, Forrest, Wooten, May, Dabney, Hosey, McGarry, Jones, Hixon, Hiott, Bustos, Nutt, Yow, Huggins, Daning, D.C. Moss, Stringer, Davis, West, M.M. Smith, J.E. Johnson, Brittain, McGinnis, Fry, Jordan, Caskey, Allison, Cogswell, Crawford, Gatch, Murphy, Simrill, Thayer, Elliott, G.R. Smith, Bannister, B. Newton, Morgan, Hyde, T. Moore and V.S. Moss: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO AMERICAN FOUNDING PRINCIPLES INSTRUCTION REQUIRED IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS AND PUBLICLY SUPPORTED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING INSTRUCTION IN UNITED STATES FOUNDATIONAL HISTORY IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-120-130, RELATING TO THE DURATION OF REQUIRED AMERICAN FOUNDING PRINCIPLES INSTRUCTION, SO AS TO LIMIT ITS APPLICATION WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-140, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION PRESCRIBE CERTAIN TEXTS FOR USE IN REQUIRED AMERICAN FOUNDING PRINCIPLES INSTRUCTION, SO AS TO SPECIFY CERTAIN TEXTS THAT MUST BE INCLUDED; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-155, RELATING TO RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES. **IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.**

H. 3332 -- Reps. Rose, Pope and Bernstein: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-485 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE INTEGRATION OF CRITICAL THINKING AND MEDIA LITERACY SKILLS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, AND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

IV. Higher Education Subcommittee:

Tim McGinnis, Chair

H. 3338 -- Reps. G.R. Smith, Taylor, Haddon and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "REINFORCING COLLEGE EDUCATION ON AMERICA'S CONSTITUTIONAL HERITAGE ACT" OR THE "REACH ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120, RELATING TO INSTRUCTION IN AMERICAN FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND IDEALS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION, SO AS TO LIMIT APPLICATION OF THE STATUTE TO PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS, TO ADD THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 TO THE TOPICS OF INSTRUCTION, AND TO REMOVE A LOYALTY DEMONSTRATION REQUIREMENT; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-130, RELATING TO THE REQUIRED STUDY IN AMERICAN FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND IDEALS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION, SO AS TO LIMIT APPLICATION OF THIS REQUIREMENT TO CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, TO ADD THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF 1964 TO THE TOPICS OF INSTRUCTION, AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION; TO REPEAL SECTION 59-29-140 RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT TO CERTAIN STUDENT POPULATIONS.

IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.

S. 38 -- Senators Grooms, Rice, Hembree, Verdin, Kimbrell, Corbin, Loftis, Campsen, Bennett and Young: A BILL TO ENACT THE "REINFORCING COLLEGE EDUCATION ON AMERICA'S CONSTITUTIONAL HERITAGE ACT" OR THE "REACH ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120(A), RELATING TO THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION REQUISITE FOR GRADUATION, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, AND THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE TO EACH STUDENT FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-130, RELATING TO THE DURATION OF INSTRUCTION IN THE ESSENTIALS OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, AND THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE TO EACH UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT FOR THREE SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 59-29-140, RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION. **IF REPORTED FAVORABLY BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-9-2021). THIS BILL WILL BE ON THE AGENDA.**

V. Public Safety Subcommittee:

Jerry Govan, Chair

H. 3084 -- Rep. Rutherford: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-5015, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE SUNSCREEN DEVICES, SO AS TO REVISE THE PERMITTED LEVEL OF LIGHT TRANSMISSION FOR SUNSCREENING DEVICES INSTALLED ON THE WINDSHIELD, SIDE WINDOWS, AND REAR WINDOW OF A MOTOR VEHICLE. **THIS BILL WAS REPORTED FAVORABLY AS AMENDED BY SUBCOMMITTEE (3-3-2021).**

H. 3037 -- Reps. Garvin, Robinson, Cobb-Hunter, J.L. Johnson, Hosey and Matthews: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56-3-117 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES MAY ADD A NOTATION TO A PRIVATE PASSENGER-CARRYING MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION TO INDICATE THE VEHICLE OWNER OR AN OCCUPANT OF THE VEHICLE SUFFERS FROM CERTAIN MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND TO PROVIDE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY SHALL OFFER COURSES TO TRAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON HANDLING SITUATIONS THAT MAY ARISE FROM THE ENFORCEMENT OF THIS PROVISION.

The presentation order as indicated above does not necessarily reflect the order in which these bills will be addressed.