

## Session 117 - (2007-2008)

**H\*4662 (Rat #0330, Act #0282 of 2008) General Bill, By Walker, Harrell, Whitmire, Toole, Gullick, Spires, Hiott, Bannister, J.R. Smith, Loftis, Ballentine, Pinson, Cotty, Brady, Bedingfield, Hardwick, Edge, Herbkersman, Lowe, Crawford, Limehouse, Hamilton, G.R. Smith, Harrison, Duncan, Bowen, Huggins, Mahaffey, Erickson, Leach, Owens, Frye, Rice, Hutson, Bingham, Haskins, Littlejohn, Cato, Chalk, Clyburn, Cooper, Dantzler, Davenport, Dellaney, Gambrell, Kelly, Lucas, Merrill, D.C. Moss, Neilson, E.H. Pitts, Sandifer, Scarborough, Shoopman, Skelton, D.C. Smith, G.M. Smith, W.D. Smith, Talley, Taylor, Umphlett, Viers, White, Witherspoon, Young, Barfield, Knight, Miller, Battle, Perry, Bales, Phillips, J.M. Neal, R.L. Brown and Whipper**

**Summary:** Education Accountability Act

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 18, TITLE 59, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE MANNER IN WHICH STUDENTS ARE ASSESSED AND SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS ARE ASSESSED AND ACCREDITED, TO PROVIDE FOR DESIGNATION TO SIGNIFY VARYING LEVELS OF SCHOOL ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, AND TO REVISE AND FURTHER PROVIDE FOR OTHER RELATED PROVISIONS REGARDING EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TEST DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 18 OF TITLE 59 AS OF JULY 1, 2008; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-67-270, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO INSPECTION OF SCHOOL BUSES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SCHOOL BUSES MAY BE INSPECTED BY EITHER THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF THE MONETARY SAVINGS FROM THE REVISED INSPECTION PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION. - ratified title

- 02/06/08 House Introduced and read first time HJ-33**
- 02/06/08 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works HJ-33**
- 02/07/08 House Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: Thompson**
- 02/13/08 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Barfield, Knight**
- 02/19/08 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Miller, Battle**
- 02/20/08 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works HJ-5**
- 02/21/08 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Perry**
- 02/21/08 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). Walker, Sellers, Perry, Hosey, JH Neal, Mulvaney, Skelton, Hiott, White, Gambrell, Cooper, Whitmire, Weeks, Cotty, Thompson, Williams, Littlejohn, Anthony, Bedingfield, Shoopman, Brantley, JR Smith, DC Smith, Hart, Neilson, Branham, and Erickson HJ-24**
- 02/21/08 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 02/27/08 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Bales, Phillips, J.M.Neal, R.L.Brown, Whipper**
- 02/27/08 House Amended HJ-31**
- 02/27/08 House Read second time HJ-45**
- 02/27/08 House Roll call Yeas-113 Nays-0 HJ-45**
- 02/28/08 House Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-81**
- 03/04/08 Senate Introduced and read first time SJ-9**
- 03/04/08 Senate Referred to Committee on Education SJ-9**
- 04/23/08 Senate Committee report: Majority favorable with amend., minority unfavorable Education SJ-26**
- 05/14/08 Senate Minority Report Removed SJ-52**
- 05/15/08 Senate Committee Amendment Amended and Adopted SJ-20**
- 05/15/08 Senate Amended SJ-20**
- 05/15/08 Senate Read second time SJ-20**
- 05/15/08 Senate Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day SJ-20**
- 05/16/08 Senate Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-2**
- 05/27/08 House Senate amendment amended HJ-41**
- 05/27/08 House Returned to Senate with amendments HJ-71**
- 05/28/08 Senate Non-concurrence in House amendment SJ-122**
- 05/28/08 House House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. Whitmire, Bedingfield, and JM Neal HJ-63**
- 05/28/08 Senate Conference committee appointed Hayes, Short, and Setzler SJ-124**
- 05/29/08 House Free conference powers granted HJ-59**
- 05/29/08 House Free conference committee appointed Reps. Whitmire, Bedingfield, and JM Neal HJ-59**

05/29/08	House	Free conference report received and adopted HJ-60
05/29/08	House	Roll call Yeas-112 Nays-0 HJ-94
05/29/08	Senate	Free conference powers granted SJ-90
05/29/08	Senate	Free conference committee appointed Hayes, Short, and Setzler SJ-90
05/29/08	Senate	Free conference report adopted SJ-90
05/29/08	Senate	Ordered enrolled for ratification SJ-90
05/29/08		Ratified R 330
06/05/08		Became law without Governor's signature
06/16/08		Copies available
06/16/08		Effective date 06/05/08
06/17/08		Act No. 282