SENATE TO MEET AT 11:00 A.M. TODAY

**NO. 48**

**CALENDAR**

OF THE

**SENATE**

OF THE

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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**REGULAR SESSION BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023**

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**MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024**

**Monday, April 1, 2024**

INVITATIONS

**Thursday, March 28, 2024 - 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA CONVENIENCE AND PETROLEUM MARKETERS ASSOCIATION**

(Accepted-February 23, 2024)

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024 – 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.**

Members, Reception, Columbia Marriott, 1200 Hampton Street, hosted by the **PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL ALLIANCE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024 – 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, hosted by **CAMP HALL COMMERCE PARK (SANTEE COOPER, BERKELEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, EDISTO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024 - 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, hosted by **HISTORIC MITCHELVILLE FREEDOM PARK**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024 - 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, Bourbon, 1214 Main Street, hosted by **HCA HEALTHCARE**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 10, 2024 - 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by **South Carolina'S COALITION FOR MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 10, 2024 - 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Members, Luncheon, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 10, 2024 - 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, 1208 Washington Place, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 10, 2024 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members, Staff and Families, Reception, South Carolina State Museum, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA STATE MUSEUM FOUNDATION**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Thursday, April 11, 2024 - 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **FUTURE SCHOLAR 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN, STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Tuesday, April 16, 2024 - 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

**(Gates open at 5:00 p.m.)**

Members, Staff and Families, Reception and Legislative Softball Game, Founders Park, 431 Williams Street, hosted by **BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 17, 2024 - 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by **LEADERSHIP SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 17, 2024 - 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Luncheon, State House Grounds, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 17, 2024 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, South Carolina National Guard Armory, 1225 Bluff Road, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Thursday, April 18, 2024 - 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA RECYCLERS ASSOCIATION**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Thursday, April 18, 2024 – 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Members, Luncheon, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by **AMIKIDS**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Tuesday, April 23, 2024 - 6:30 - 10:00 p.m.**

Members, Reception and Dinner (Citadel Barbeque), Goodman Building, South Carolina State Fairgrounds, hosted by **THE** **Citadel Alumni Association**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by **DONATE LIFE SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Luncheon, State House Grounds, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA RESTAURANT AND LODGING ASSOCIATION (HOSPITALITY DAY)**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, South Carolina Beer Wholesalers Association, 1114 College Street, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA BEER WHOLESALERS ASSOCIATION**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

Members, Reception, Savage Craft Ale Works, 430 Center Street, West Columbia, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA BOATING AND FISHING ALLIANCE**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

Members, Reception, Bourbon, 1214 Main Street, hosted by **TOGETHER SC**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members, Reception, Parker Poe Law Firm, 1221 Main Street, hosted by the **CITY OF CHARLESTON**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Thursday, April 25, 2024 - 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **COALITION FOR ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**Tuesday, April 30, 2024 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, Columbia Convention Center, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNCIL ON AGING DISORDERS**

(Accepted-March 26, 2024)

**UNCONTESTED LOCAL**

SECOND READING BILLS

H. 5267--Rep. Forrest: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 307 OF 2012, RELATING TO THE ELECTION DISTRICTS FROM WHICH CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE SALUDA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST BE ELECTED, SO AS TO REAPPORTION THESE DISTRICTS, TO PROVIDE DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION IN REGARD TO THESE DISTRICTS, AND TO UPDATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THESE DISTRICTS ARE DELINEATED.

(Without reference--March 26, 2024)

H. 5231--Rep. Bamberg: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 104 OF 2021, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CONSOLIDATED BAMBERG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ITS NINE MEMBER BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SEVEN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ARE TO BE ELECTED FROM SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICTS WHICH CORRESPOND WITH THE BAMBERG COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICTS, AND TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS ARE TO BE ELECTED FROM THE COUNTY AT‑LARGE.

(Without reference--March 27, 2024)

**MOTION PERIOD**

INTERRUPTED DEBATE

S. 994--Senators Alexander, Hutto, Verdin, Grooms, Kimbrell, Gambrell, Shealy, Hembree, McElveen, Davis, Young, Loftis, K. Johnson, McLeod, Martin, Senn, Garrett, Fanning, Cromer, Devine, Williams and Setzler: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 44‑95‑65 SO AS TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR THE SALE OF ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS SECTION.

(Read the first time--January 25, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Medical Affairs--March 05, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--March 19, 2024)

(Amended--March 27, 2024)

(Read the second time--March 27, 2024)

(Contested by Senator Tedder)

SPECIAL ORDER

(Set for Special Order--March 27, 2024)

S. 533--Senators Alexander, Peeler, Cromer, Davis, Bennett, Grooms, Hembree, Verdin, Massey, Climer, Martin, Shealy, Turner, Kimbrell, Gambrell, Rice, Loftis, Reichenbach, Cash, Gustafson, Campsen, Corbin, Williams and Stephens: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 15‑38‑15, 15‑38‑20(A), 15‑38‑40(B), AND 15‑38‑50, ALL RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONTRIBUTION AMONG TORTFEASORS ACT, TO INCLUDE PERSONS OR ENTITIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF ALLOCATION OF FAULT AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

(Read the first time--February 14, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Set for Special Order--March 27, 2024)

**STATEWIDE SECOND READING BILLS**

**S. 165--Senators Climer and Allen: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 40, RELATING TO BOARD REGULATION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS, BY ADDING SECTION 40-1-75, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MAY NOT SOLELY DENY A LICENSE APPLICATION BASED UPON AN APPLICANT'S PRIOR CRIMINAL CONVICTION UNLESS THE CONVICTION IS FOR A CRIME THAT DIRECTLY RELATES TO THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE SPECIFIC OCCUPATION OR PROFESSIONAL LICENSE BEING SOUGHT; BY ADDING SECTION 40-1-77 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE BY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FOR APPLICANTS WHO COMPLETE CERTAIN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 40-1-140, RELATING TO THE EFFECT OF PRIOR CONVICTIONS ON LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--January 26, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Climer)

**S. 88--Senator Cromer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 1-1-671 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGN, COLOR, AND OTHER ELEMENTS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FLAG AND TO DESIGNATE THE FLAG OF THIS DESIGN, COLOR, AND ELEMENTS AS THE OFFICIAL SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FLAG.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Family and Veterans’ Services--February 08, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Hutto)

**S. 303--Senators Shealy, McElveen, Gustafson, Talley, Davis, Adams, Kimbrell, Jackson, Rankin, Harpootlian, M. Johnson, Hutto, Sabb, Matthews, Fanning, Gambrell, Peeler, Goldfinch and McLeod: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-300 SO AS TO ENACT THE SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE ADVANCEMENT ACT TO ESTABLISH A GRANT PROGRAM TO ASSIST THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE EQUINE INDUSTRY IN SOUTH CAROLINA; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-310 SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-320 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE COMMISSION; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-330 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE POWERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE COMMISSION; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-340 SO AS TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE COMMISSION; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-350 SO AS TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-360 SO AS TO PROVIDE APPLICATION GUIDELINES FOR PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-370 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR APPLICATION AND LICENSE FEES; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-380 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EQUINE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT FUND; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-390 AND SECTION 52-5-400 SO AS TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES AND PROTECTIONS FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS; BY ADDING SECTION 52-5-410 SO AS TO REQUIRE AN THE COMMISSION TO SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Family and Veterans’ Services--February 08, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Campsen)

**S. 414--Senators Gambrell, Massey, Turner, Bennett, Grooms, Alexander and Loftis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 44-95-45 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THIS STATE MAY NOT ENACT ANY LAWS, ORDINANCES, OR RULES PERTAINING TO INGREDIENTS, FLAVORS, OR LICENSING OF CIGARETTES, ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES, E-LIQUID, VAPOR PRODUCTS, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, OR ALTERNATIVE NICOTINE PRODUCTS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT SUCH LAWS, ORDINANCES, AND RULES ENACTED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION PRIOR TO DECEMBER 31, 2020, ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE PREEMPTION IMPOSED BY THIS ACT.**

(Read the first time--January 18, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Medical Affairs--February 16, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senators McElveen and Senn)

**S. 143--Senators Shealy, Goldfinch, Senn, McLeod, Hutto, Jackson, Devine and Gustafson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 20-4-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO DEFINE A HOUSEHOLD MEMBER AND TO DEFINE A DATING RELATIONSHIP; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 20-4-40, RELATING TO PETITION FOR ORDER OF PROTECTION, SO AS TO DESIGNATE PEOPLE WHO CAN APPLY FOR AN ORDER OF PROTECTION ON BEHALF OF A MINOR.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 22, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Corbin)

**S. 208--Senators Goldfinch and Fanning: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY MAY IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSE FEE AND AN ADDITIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSING AND REGISTRATION FEE FROM RESIDENTS NEW TO THIS STATE UPON A SUCCESSFUL REFERENDUM, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE FUNDS REALIZED FROM THE ADDITIONAL FEES MUST BE USED ONLY FOR COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE, PUBLIC EDUCATION RELATED EXPENSES, AND GREENSPACE CONSERVATION OR PRESERVATION; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-20, RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSE REQUIRED; SURRENDER AND DISPOSITION OF OUT-OF-STATE LICENSES; LOCAL LICENSES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY MAY ASSESS AN ADDITIONAL FEE PURSUANT TO A SUCCESSFUL REFERENDUM; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 56-3-210, RELATING TO THE TIME PERIOD FOR PROCURING REGISTRATION AND LICENSE; TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATES; TRANSFER OF LICENSE PLATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY MAY ASSESS AN ADDITIONAL FEE PURSUANT TO A SUCCESSFUL REFERENDUM.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Finance--February 22, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--March 01, 2023)

(Amended--March 01, 2023)

(Amendment proposed--March 02, 2023)

(Document No. LC-208.SA0005S)

**S. 367--Senators Adams, M. Johnson, Kimbrell, Garrett, Rice, Harpootlian, Cash, Senn, Cromer and Gustafson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 17-15-20, RELATING TO CONDITIONS OF APPEARANCE, RECOGNIZANCE, OR APPEARANCE BOND; DISCHARGE, VALIDITY, AND RELIEF OF SURETY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN APPEARANCE BOND SHALL AUTOMATICALLY CONVERT TO A PERSONAL RECOGNIZANCE BOND AFTER THREE YEARS FOR A CIRCUIT COURT OFFENSE AND AFTER EIGHTEEN MONTHS FOR A MAGISTRATE'S OR MUNICIPAL COURT OFFENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 17-15-30, RELATING TO MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING CONDITIONS OF RELEASE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE COURT MUST CONSIDER A DEFENDANT'S PRIOR CHARGES AND EXISTING BONDS WHEN DETERMINING BOND; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-53-10 TO ESTABLISH A DEFINITION FOR ELECTRONIC MONITORING; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-53-50, RELATING TO SURETY RELIEVED ON BOND, TO PROVIDE THAT FAILURE TO PAY PREMIUM FEES ALONE IS NOT SUFFICIENT REASON TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE INCARCERATION OF THE DEFENDANT; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-53-70, RELATING TO ISSUANCE OF BENCH WARRANT, TO PROVIDE THAT THE COURT MUST NOTIFY THE BONDSMAN WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF THE ISSUANCE OF A BENCH WARRANT; BY ADDING SECTION 38-53-83 TO PROVIDE THAT ONLY A QUALIFIED AND LICENSED BONDSMAN OR RUNNER MAY ENGAGE IN ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF A DEFENDANT; BY ADDING SECTION 38-53-84 TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON ENGAGED IN THE ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF A DEFENDANT MUST NOTIFY THE SOLICITOR WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS OF ANY VIOLATION OF A CONDITION OF THE BOND BY THE DEFENDANT AND TO PROVIDE THAT FAILURE TO PAY THE MONITORING FEES IS A REVOKABLE CONDITION OF THE BOND; BY AMENDING SECTION 38-53-170, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL ACTS BY A BONDSMAN, TO PROVIDE CONDITIONS FOR THE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF PREMIUMS, FEES, AND COLLATERAL; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 38-53-310, RELATING TO WRITTEN REPORT TO BE FILED WITH CLERK OF COURT, TO PROVIDE THAT A BONDSMAN MUST PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT TO THEIR INSURANCE PROVIDER WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF EACH BOND, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE REQUIREMENT FOR MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE CLERK OF COURT MAY BE SATISFIED WITH GIVING THE CLERK ACCESS TO AN ELECTRONIC DATABASE THAT CONTAINS THE REQUIRED INFORMATION.**

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 22, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Adams)

**S. 440--Senators Corbin, Talley, Gambrell, Goldfinch, Climer, Loftis, Gustafson, Cromer, Cash, Rice, Adams, Verdin and Garrett: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO ENACT THE "SECOND AMENDMENT PROTECTION ACT"; AND BY ADDING SECTION 25-1-80 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNORGANIZED MILITIA.**

(Read the first time--January 24, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Family and Veterans’ Services--March 08, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senators Jackson and McLeod)

S. 425--Senators Talley, Turner, Adams, Bennett, Climer, Davis, Hembree, Hutto, M. Johnson, Kimbrell, McElveen, Scott, Shealy and Gustafson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 61‑2‑170, RELATING TO DRIVE‑THROUGH OR CURBSIDE SERVICE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, SO AS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 61‑4‑45 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE CERTAIN LICENSES OR PERMITS ALLOWING A RETAILER TO OFFER CERTAIN CURBSIDE DELIVERY OR PICK UP; BY ADDING SECTION 61‑4‑280 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A RETAIL DEALER MAY HIRE A DELIVERY SERVICE TO DELIVER CERTAIN BEER AND WINE AND TO PROVIDE FOR REQUIREMENTS; BY ADDING SECTION 61‑6‑1570 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE CERTAIN LICENSES OR PERMITS ALLOWING A RETAILER TO OFFER CERTAIN CURBSIDE DELIVERY OR PICK UP; AND BY ADDING SECTION 61‑6‑1580 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A RETAIL DEALER MAY HIRE A DELIVERY SERVICE TO DELIVER CERTAIN ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS AND TO PROVIDE FOR REQUIREMENTS.

(Read the first time--January 19, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 15, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Cash)

S. 260--Senators Rankin, Hutto and Stephens: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE “RESPONSIBLE ALCOHOL SERVER TRAINING ACT”; BY AMENDING TITLE 61, RELATING TO ALCOHOL AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, BY ADDING CHAPTER 3, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF A MANDATORY ALCOHOL SERVER TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM, TO REQUIRE SERVERS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON‑PREMISES CONSUMPTION IN LICENSED OR PERMITTED BUSINESSES TO OBTAIN ALCOHOL SERVER CERTIFICATES, TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR THE CURRICULA OF THE TRAINING PROGRAMS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROVAL OF THE TRAINING PROGRAMS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ALCOHOL SERVER CERTIFICATES, TO REQUIRE FEES FROM PROVIDERS OF TRAINING PROGRAMS AND FROM APPLICANTS FOR ALCOHOL SERVER CERTIFICATES TO COVER THE COSTS OF THE MANDATORY TRAINING AND ENFORCEMENT, TO REQUIRE COORDINATION AMONG THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, AND OTHER STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THESE PROVISIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR FINES AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THESE PROVISIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 61‑2‑60, RELATING TO THE PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS, TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, EDUCATION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF RESPONSIBLE ALCOHOL SERVER TRAINING PROVISIONS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 61‑2‑145, SECTION 61‑4‑50, SECTION 61‑4‑90(A), SECTION 61‑4‑580, SECTION 61‑6‑2220, SECTION 61‑6‑4070(A), AND SECTION 61‑6‑4080, ALL RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL SALE OF ALCOHOL, TO PROVIDE FOR FINES AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 15, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--March 21, 2023)

(Amended--March 21, 2023)

(Second Reading Failed--March 21, 2023)

(Ayes 21, Nays 21-March 21, 2023

(Reconsidered-March 22, 2023)

(Amendment proposed--March 28, 2023)

(Document No. SR-260.JG00065)

(Contested by Senator Turner)

H. 3014--Reps. Gilliard, Henegan, Ott, Collins, Carter, Murphy, Robbins, Brewer, Gatch, Kirby, Anderson, Rivers, Howard, King, McDaniel, Hosey, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Bamberg, Williams, Bernstein, W. Newton, Herbkersman, Hyde, Brittain, Guest, Erickson, Bradley, Hager, Connell, Hewitt, Rutherford, Thigpen, B. Newton, McGinnis, Hardee, Hixon, Taylor, Sandifer, M.M. Smith, Wetmore, Bustos, Landing, Elliott, Pope, Felder, Stavrinakis, Rose, Neese, Davis, Wooten, Bannister, Wheeler, Bailey, Schuessler, Blackwell, W. Jones, Dillard, Bauer, Sessions, T. Moore, J.L. Johnson, Jefferson, B.J. Cox, Garvin, B.L. Cox, Tedder and Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE “CLEMENTA C. PINCKNEY HATE CRIMES ACT”; BY ADDING ARTICLE 22 TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16 SO AS TO ENTITLE THE ARTICLE “PENALTY ENHANCEMENTS FOR CERTAIN CRIMES”, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR PERSONS WHO COMMIT CERTAIN DELINEATED CRIMES WHEN THE VICTIM WAS INTENTIONALLY SELECTED BASED ON CERTAIN FACTORS, AND TO PROVIDE VICTIMS OF A VIOLATION OF THE ARTICLE MAY BRING A CIVIL ACTION FOR DAMAGES SUSTAINED.

(Read the first time--March 14, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 29, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senators Cash and Loftis)

H. 3514--Reps. Ott, B. Newton, Murphy, Cobb-Hunter, Caskey, Kirby, Collins, Forrest, Bernstein, Wheeler, Taylor, Wetmore, J. Moore, Atkinson, Henegan, Blackwell, J.L. Johnson, Brewer, W. Newton, Herbkersman, Erickson, M.M. Smith and Leber: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑300 BY ENACTING THE “SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE ADVANCEMENT ACT” TO ESTABLISH A GRANT PROGRAM TO ASSIST THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE EQUINE INDUSTRY IN SOUTH CAROLINA; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑310 SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑320 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE COMMISSION; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑330 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE POWERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE COMMISSION; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑340 SO AS TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA EQUINE COMMISSION; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑350 SO AS TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR PARI‑MUTUEL WAGERING; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑360 SO AS TO PROVIDE APPLICATION GUIDELINES FOR PARI‑MUTUEL WAGERING; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑370 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR APPLICATION AND LICENSE FEES; BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑380 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EQUINE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT FUND; BY ADDING SECTIONS 52‑5‑390 AND 52‑5‑400 SO AS TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES AND PROTECTIONS FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 52‑5‑410 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION TO SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT.

(Read the first time--April 6, 2023)

(Polled by Committee on Family and Veterans’ Services--April 11, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Loftis)

S. 244--Senator Kimbrell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-19-40, RELATING TO CERTAIN SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR THE ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES MUST BE HELD AT THE SAME TIME AS THE GENERAL ELECTION IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Education--April 12, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Senn)

S. 126--Senator Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "CHARTER SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT"; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-30, RELATING TO THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ACT, SO AS TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS CONCERNING GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-40, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING CHARTER SCHOOLS, SO AS TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-55, RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOL POWERS AND DUTIES, SO AS TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS CONCERNING GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-75, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE REMOVAL OF CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS AND SPONSORS, SO AS TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MAKE CERTAIN PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO SPONSORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-115, RELATING TO THE TERMINATION OF SPONSOR CONTRACTS BY CHARTER SCHOOLS, SO AS TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR VOLUNTARY TERMINATIONS AND PROVIDE PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFERS TO OTHER SPONSORS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-150, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CONCERNING CHARTER SCHOOLS, SO AS TO INCLUDE PROVISIONS CONCERNING CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSORS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-180, RELATING TO THE PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS CONCERNING CHARTER SCHOOLS BY THE DEPARTMENT, SO AS TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING SPONSORS AND REVISE OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Education--April 19, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Kimbrell)

H. 3682--Reps. Murphy, Wetmore, Bailey, Rose, Crawford, Brewer, Taylor, Hardee, Wooten, Pope, McDaniel, Hewitt, Bauer, Yow, J.E. Johnson, Willis, Ligon, Lawson, Robbins, Schuessler, Guest, Henegan, Williams, M.M. Smith and Vaughan: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 47‑1‑140, RELATING TO THE CARE OF ANIMALS AFTER THE ARREST OF THE OWNER, SO AS TO REMOVE PROVISIONS REGARDING A LIEN ON THE SEIZED ANIMAL; BY AMENDING SECTION 47‑1‑145, RELATING TO CUSTODY AND CARE OF ANIMALS AFTER THE ARREST OF THE OWNER, SO AS TO OUTLINE HEARING PROCEDURES FOR ORDERING THE COST OF CARE OF THE SEIZED ANIMALS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION  
  
  
  
47‑1‑170, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR ANIMAL CRUELTY, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

(Read the first time--March 30, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources--May 2, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senators Williams and McElveen)

S. 109--Senators Martin, Rice, Kimbrell, Corbin, Climer, Loftis, Verdin, Garrett, Reichenbach and Grooms: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE “SOUTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTIONAL CARRY ACT OF 2023”; BY AMENDING SECTION 10-11-320, RELATING TO CARRYING OR DISCHARGING FIREARMS; EXCEPTION FOR CONCEALABLE WEAPONS’ PERMIT HOLDERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE PERSONS MAY POSSESS FIREARMS UPON THE CAPITOL GROUNDS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-20, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF HANDGUNS; EXCEPTIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE IT IS LEGAL TO CARRY HANDGUNS IN THIS STATE AND TO PROVIDE LOCATION EXCEPTIONS WHERE FIREARMS ARE PROHIBITED; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-50, RELATING TO PENALTIES; DISPOSITION OF FINES; FORFEITURE AND DISPOSITION OF HANDGUNS, SO AS TO PROVIDE PERSONS WHO ENTER PREMISES WITH SIGNS PROHIBITING FIREARMS WHILE POSSESSING A FIREARM MUST BE CHARGED WITH TRESPASSING; BY AMENDING SECTIONS 16-23-420 AND 16-23-430, BOTH RELATING TO CARRYING WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTIES, SO AS TO REVISE THE CIRCUMSTANCES UPON WHICH PERSONS MAY POSSESS FIREARMS ON SCHOOL PROPERTIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-465, RELATING TO ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR UNLAWFULLY CARRYING PISTOLS OR FIREARMS ONTO PREMISES OF BUSINESSES SELLING ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR, BEER, OR WINE FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION, SO AS TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FOR PERSONS LAWFULLY CARRYING WEAPONS WHO DO NOT CONSUME ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR, BEER, OR WINE WHILE CARRYING WEAPONS ON THE BUSINESSES’ PREMISES; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-215, RELATING TO ISSUANCE OF CONCEALABLE WEAPON PERMITS, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT REQUIRES PERMIT HOLDERS TO POSSESS PERMIT IDENTIFICATION WHEN CARRYING CONCEALABLE WEAPONS, AND THE PROVISION THAT REQUIRES PERMIT HOLDERS TO INFORM LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS THAT THEY ARE PERMIT HOLDERS AND PRESENT THE PERMITS TO OFFICERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-220, RELATING TO THE RIGHT TO ALLOW OR PERMIT CONCEALED WEAPONS UPON PREMISES, SO AS TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES AND TO PROVIDE THIS PROVISION REGULATES BOTH PERSONS WHO POSSESS AND DO NOT POSSESS CONCEALED WEAPONS PERMITS; BY AMENDING SECTION 23-31-235, RELATING TO SIGN REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND TO REPEAL SECTIONS 16-23-460, 23-31-225, AND 23-31-230 RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF CONCEALABLE WEAPONS, THE UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF CONCEALABLE WEAPONS INTO RESIDENCES, AND THE CARRYING OF WEAPONS BETWEEN AUTOMOBILES AND CERTAIN ROOMS AND ACCOMMODATIONS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--May 09, 2023)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator McLeod)

S. 620--Senator Davis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12‑51‑50, RELATING TO SALES OF PROPERTY BY A COUNTY RESULTING FROM DELINQUENT TAXES, SO AS TO ALLOW AN ELECTRONIC SALE AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROCEDURES OF AN ELECTRONIC SALE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 12‑51‑60, RELATING TO PAYMENT BY THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER IN A TAX SALE, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE  
  
  
  
DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE.

(Read the first time--March 14, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Finance--January 24, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--February 28, 2024)

(Amendment proposed--February 28, 2024)

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(Contested by Senator Bennett)

S. 843--Senator Rankin: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 33‑56‑120, RELATING TO MISREPRESENTATIONS PROHIBITED, SO AS TO PROHIBIT A SOLICITATION FROM A PERSON OR GROUP REPRESENTING ITSELF AS A SOUTH CAROLINA‑BASED NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN TRIBE OR SOUTH CAROLINA‑BASED NATIVE AMERICAN ENTITY UNLESS THE GROUP HAS BEEN FEDERALLY ACKNOWLEDGED AS A TRIBE, OR DESIGNATED AS A TRIBE, GROUP, OR SPECIAL INTEREST ORGANIZATION BY THE BOARD OF THE STATE COMMISSION FOR MINORITY AFFAIRS.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--January 31, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Hutto)

S. 32--Senators Hutto and Senn: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 38‑77‑170, RELATING TO THE REQUIRED CONDITIONS TO SUE OR RECOVER UNDER THE UNINSURED MOTORIST PROVISION WHEN THE OWNER OR OPERATOR OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE CAUSING INJURY OR DAMAGE IS UNKNOWN, SO AS TO ALLOW AN INSURED TO SEEK A COURT ORDER FOR A PRESUIT DEPOSITION WHEN THE INSURED IS UNABLE TO OBTAIN AN AFFIDAVIT FROM A WITNESS TO THE ACCIDENT AND TO ALLOW AN INSURED TO SUBMIT ELECTRONIC OR OTHER RECORDING OF THE  
  
  
ACCIDENT TO MEET THE REQUIRED CONDITIONS OF THE UNINSURED MOTORIST PROVISION.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Banking and Insurance--February 06, 2024)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Massey)

S. 846--Senator Rankin: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 33‑31‑401, RELATING TO CORPORATE NAME, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF CERTAIN INDIAN DESCRIPTIONS AS PART OF A NONPROFIT CORPORATION’S CORPORATE NAME UNLESS THE ENTITY IS A FEDERALLY ACKNOWLEDGED TRIBE OR A STATE DESIGNATED TRIBE, GROUP, OR SPECIAL INTEREST ORGANIZATION.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--February 14, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Hutto)

S. 910--Senators Davis, Shealy, Gambrell, Hutto, K. Johnson, Allen and Devine: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 39‑5‑30 SO AS TO PROHIBIT AND DEFINE CERTAIN PREDATORY LOAN PRACTICES AS UNLAWFUL, TO PROVIDE THAT BANKS AND CREDIT UNIONS ARE EXEMPT, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ENFORCE VIOLATIONS OF THIS CODE SECTION, AND TO PROVIDE THAT INDIVIDUALS AGGRIEVED BY ACTIONS PROHIBITED BY THIS CODE SECTION MAY PURSUE ALL REMEDIES AVAILABLE UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--February 14, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Climer)

S. 250--Senators M. Johnson and Malloy: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 42-3-20 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, RELATING TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COMMISSION, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR QUALIFICATIONS TO SERVE AS A COMMISSIONER; TO AMEND SECTION 42-3-40, RELATING TO COMMISSIONERS’ SALARIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT COMMISSIONERS ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL RETIREMENT AS PROVIDED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 8 OF TITLE 9; TO AMEND SECTION 9-8-10(16), RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF “JUDGE”, TO INCLUDE COMMISSIONERS OF THE WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COMMISSION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 9-8-40, RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE SYSTEM, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COMMISSION.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 21, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--February 27, 2024)

(Amendment proposed--February 27, 2024)

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(Contested by Senators Peeler and Sabb)

S. 251--Senators M. Johnson, Adams, Gustafson and Devine: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 42‑9‑50 SO AS TO PROVIDE BENEFITS TO FIRST RESPONDERS MEDICALLY DIAGNOSED WITH POST‑TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER ARISING FROM A SIGNIFICANT TRAUMATIC EXPERIENCE OR SITUATION IN THE COURSE AND SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT, THE FIRST RESPONDER HAS AN INCAPACITY TO WORK AS DETERMINED BY THE TREATING PHYSICIAN, AND THE FIRST RESPONDER IS PARTICIPATING IN AND RECEIVING CLINICAL CARE.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 21, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Massey)

S. 615--Senators Hutto, Setzler, Jackson, Allen, McLeod and Devine: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16‑3‑2410 SO AS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR PERSONS WHO COMMIT CERTAIN DELINEATED CRIMES WHEN THE VICTIM WAS INTENTIONALLY SELECTED BASED ON CERTAIN FACTORS.

(Read the first time--March 9, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 21, 2024)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Loftis)

S. 99--Senators Campsen and Kimbrell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 2‑19‑70, RELATING TO JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING PLEDGES FROM MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PLEDGES FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES MAY NOT BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY SOUGHT OR GIVEN UNTIL TWELVE DAYS AFTER THE INITIAL RELEASE OF THE REPORT CONCERNING NOMINEES TO MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 2‑19‑80, RELATING TO THE NOMINATION OF QUALIFIED CANDIDATES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERIOD OF AT LEAST TWENTY‑TWO DAYS MUST ELAPSE BETWEEN THE DATE OF THE JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION’S INITIAL REPORT OF NOMINATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE DATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONDUCTS THE ELECTION FOR THESE JUDGESHIPS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 28, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Climer)

S. 650--Senator Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59‑150‑70, RELATING TO TEMPORARY REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY, INITIAL AVAILABILITY OF TICKETS, AND ALTERNATE USE FOR NONWINNING TICKETS, SO AS TO ALLOW PAYMENT BY DEBIT CARD; AND BY ADDING SECTION 59‑150‑145 SO AS TO EXEMPT CERTAIN PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING LOTTERY CLAIMS FROM NONCONSENSUAL DISCLOSURE OR RELEASE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, TO PROVIDE THE LOTTERY COMMISSION MAY DISCLOSE CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING LOTTERY CLAIMS WITHOUT CONSENT, AND TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FOR PARTICIPANTS IN CERTAIN PROMOTIONS.

(Read the first time--March 21, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Education--February 28, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Shealy)

(Not to be considered before Tuesday, April 16, 2024)

S. 1117--Family and Veterans' Services Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, RELATING TO WILDERNESS THERAPEUTIC CAMPS FOR CHILDREN, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5232, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

(Without reference--February 28, 2024)

H. 3880--Reps. M.M. Smith, Herbkersman, Davis, Elliott, B.J. Cox, B.L. Cox and Pace: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12‑21‑2420, RELATING TO THE ADMISSIONS TAX, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT NO TAX MAY BE CHARGED OR COLLECTED ON ANNUAL OR MONTHLY DUES PAID TO A GOLF CLUB.

(Read the first time--May 23, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Finance--February 28, 2024)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Sabb)

H. 4957--Reps. Hiott, Erickson, G.M. Smith, Hayes, McGinnis, Rose, Elliott, Alexander, Schuessler, Calhoon, M.M. Smith, Davis, T. Moore, B. Newton, Neese, Oremus, Hixon, Taylor, Guest, Sessions, Guffey, Ballentine, Pope, Willis, Bannister, Kirby, Henegan, Hartnett, Williams, Gilliard and Rivers: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-158-10, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETES' COMPENSATION FOR NAME, IMAGE, OR LIKENESS, SO AS TO REVISE SEVERAL DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-158-20, RELATING TO THE AUTHORIZATION OF COMPENSATION FOR USE OF AN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETE’S NAME, IMAGE, OR LIKENESS, SO AS TO DELETE EXISTING LANGUAGE AND PROVIDE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING AND CERTAIN AGENTS OF THE INSTITUTIONS MAY ENGAGE IN CERTAIN ACTIONS THAT MAY ENABLE INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETES TO EARN COMPENSATION FOR USE OF THE NAME, IMAGE, OR LIKENESS OF THE ATHLETE, AND TO PROVIDE THE INSTITUTIONS ALSO MAY PERMIT INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETES TO USE TRADEMARKS AND FACILITIES OF THE INSTITUTION, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-158-30, RELATING TO THE AFFECTS OF NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS COMPENSATION ON GRANT-IN-AID OR ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY, SO AS TO DELETE EXISTING LANGUAGE AND PROVIDE NAME, IMAGE, OR LIKENESS CONTRACTS MAY NOT EXTEND BEYOND THE INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETE'S ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS PROGRAM AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-158-40, RELATING TO ALLOWED AND PROHIBITED ACTIONS CONCERNING INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETES’ NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS-RELATED MATTERS, SO AS TO DELETE EXISTING LANGUAGE AND PROVIDE LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY FOR INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING EMPLOYEES FOR DAMAGES RESULTING FROM CERTAIN ROUTINE DECISIONS MADE IN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS, AND TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN CONDUCT BY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS, ATHLETIC CONFERENCES, OR OTHER GROUPS WITH AUTHORITY OVER INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC PROGRAMS AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-158-50, RELATING TO GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS ACTIVITIES, SO AS TO DELETE EXISTING PROVISIONS AND PROVIDE CERTAIN MATTERS CONCERNING NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS AGREEMENTS MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO AN EXCEPTION AND MAY NOT BE DISCLOSED TO CERTAIN ENTITIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-158-60, RELATING TO DISCLOSURE OF NAME, IMAGE, OR LIKENESS CONTRACTS AND THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATORS, SO AS TO DELETE EXISTING LANGUAGE AND PROVIDE FOR THE RESOLUTION OF CONFLICTS BETWEEN CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND PROVISIONS IN THE UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT OF 2018, AND TO PROVIDE ATHLETE AGENTS SHALL COMPLY WITH CERTAIN FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-102-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT OF 2018, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF “ATHLETE AGENT”; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-102-100, RELATING TO AGENCY CONTRACTS, SO AS TO REMOVE A PROVISION CONCERNING COMPENSATION; BY REPEALING SECTION 59-158-70 RELATING TO DISCLOSURES AND LIMITATIONS IN NAME, IMAGE, OR LIKENESS CONTRACTS AND REVOCATION PERIODS FOR SUCH CONTRACTS; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 59-158-80 RELATING TO GOVERNING LAW AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE CONTRACTS.

(Read the first time--February 15, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Education--February 28, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

H. 4624--Reps. Hiott, G.M. Smith, McCravy, Davis, Vaughan, Trantham, Pope, Chapman, Taylor, Oremus, Hartnett, Leber, Long, Nutt, Haddon, Burns, Chumley, Murphy, Mitchell, Brewer, Robbins, Gatch, West, Gilliam, Cromer, Kilmartin, O'Neal, Yow, S. Jones, Landing, Ballentine, Sandifer, Crawford, Guest, Willis, Ligon, Forrest, Pace, W. Newton, Bradley, Erickson, Gibson, Blackwell and M.M. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 42 TO TITLE 44 SO AS TO DEFINE GENDER, SEX, AND OTHER TERMS, TO PROHIBIT THE PROVISION OF GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES TO A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE, TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS, TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES; AND BY ADDING SECTION 59‑32‑36 SO AS TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL STAFF AND OFFICIALS FROM WITHHOLDING KNOWLEDGE OF A MINOR’S PERCEPTION OF THEIR GENDER FROM THE MINOR’S PARENTS, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

(Read the first time--January 18, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Medical Affairs--March 05, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Hutto)

S. 965--Senators Massey and Corbin: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 83 TO TITLE 44 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY NOT ENACT A COVID 19 VACCINATION MANDATE; TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS; TO PROVIDE THAT NOTHING IN THIS ACT SHALL PREVENT AN EMPLOYER FROM ENCOURAGING OR ADMINISTERING VACCINES; TO PROVIDE RESTRICTIONS FOR A PRIVATE EMPLOYER’S VACCINE MANDATE; TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN VACCINE EXEMPTIONS MUST BE HONORED; AND TO PROVIDE THAT NO PERSON MAY BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BASED ON VACCINATION STATUS.

(Read the first time--January 17, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Medical Affairs--March 07, 2024)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator McLeod)

S. 857--Senators Davis and Senn: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40‑13‑20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING COSMETOLOGY AND COSMETOLOGISTS SO AS TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR “MOBILE SALON” AND “PORTABLE COSMETOLOGIST, ESTHETICIAN, OR NAIL TECHNICIAN OPERATION”; AND BY ADDING SECTION 40‑13‑365 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR PERMITTING AND REGULATION OF MOBILE SALONS AND PORTABLE COSMETOLOGIST, ESTHETICIAN, OR NAIL TECHNICIAN OPERATIONS.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--March 19, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

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(Contested by Senator Jackson)

S. 1132--Senators Davis, Climer and Senn: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-7-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING BARBERS AND BARBERING, SO AS TO REVISE AND ADD DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-7-390, RELATING TO CERTAIN PERSONS EXEMPT FROM REGULATION BY THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS, SO AS TO EXEMPT PERSONS PROVIDING BLOW-DRYING OR HAIR-BRAIDING SERVICES BUT NO OTHER SERVICES REGULATED BY THE BOARD; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-13-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING COSMETOLOGISTS AND COSMETOLOGY, SO AS TO REVISE AND ADD DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-13-360, RELATING TO CERTAIN PERSONS EXEMPT FROM REGULATION BY THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS, SO AS TO EXEMPT PERSONS PROVIDING BLOW-DRYING OR HAIR-BRAIDING SERVICES BUT NO OTHER SERVICES REGULATED BY THE BOARD; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 40-7-255 RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF HAIR-BRAIDING PRACTITIONERS.

(Read the first time--March 5, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--March 19, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--March 26, 2024)

(Contested by Senator Jackson)

S. 955--Senators Campsen and Matthews: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 50‑5‑400 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE LIMITED COMMERCIAL BLUE CRAB LICENSE AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING THE LICENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 50‑5‑325, RELATING TO COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT LICENSES AND FEES, SO AS TO REVISE THE FEE STRUCTURE FOR THE COMMERCIAL TRAP LICENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 50‑5‑350, RELATING TO THE TRANSFERABILITY OF LICENSES, SO AS TO EXEMPT THE LIMITED COMMERCIAL BLUE CRAB LICENSE FROM THE GENERAL TRANSFER PROHIBITION; BY AMENDING SECTION 50‑5‑360, RELATING TO LICENSES TO ENGAGE IN SHEDDING PEELER CRABS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT AN APPLICANT’S OR LICENSEE’S BUSINESS PREMISES BE CAPABLE OF PEELER SHEDDING OPERATIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 50‑5‑545, RELATING TO TRAPS FOR TAKING BLUE CRAB, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE MATERIAL, DIMENSIONS, AND ESCAPE VENT REQUIREMENTS OF THE TRAPS; BY ADDING SECTION 50‑5‑1302 SO AS TO ESTABLISH A RECREATIONAL LIMIT OF ONE‑HALF BUSHEL OF BLUE CRABS PER PERSON PER DAY NOT TO EXCEED ONE BUSHEL PER BOAT; BY ADDING SECTION 50‑5‑1345 SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF CRAB TRAPS IN THE WATERS OF THIS STATE FROM JANUARY 16 THROUGH JANUARY 29 OF EACH YEAR; BY AMENDING SECTION 50‑5‑330, RELATING TO RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT LIMITS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF TRAPS THAT MAY BE USED FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES FROM TWO TO TEN WITH A RECREATIONAL CRAB TRAP ENDORSEMENT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 50‑9‑540, RELATING TO RECREATIONAL SALTWATER FISHING LICENSES SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE COST OF THE RECREATIONAL CRAB TRAP ENDORSEMENT.

(Read the first time--January 11, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry--March 20, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senator Matthews)

S. 1095--Senators M. Johnson and Climer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 24‑3‑980 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR AN INMATE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO POSSESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICES UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE DIRECTOR, TO DEFINE THE TERM “TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICE”, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES.

(Read the first time--February 22, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Corrections and Penology--March 21, 2024)

(Favorable)

S. 87--Senator Malloy: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 15-78-120 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, RELATING TO LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMITS FROM A LOSS TO ONE PERSON ARISING FROM A SINGLE OCCURRENCE FROM THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, TO INCREASE THE TOTAL LIMITS FROM A LOSS ARISING OUT OF A SINGLE OCCURRENCE FROM SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO ONE MILLION DOLLARS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PARTY WHO FILES AN OFFER OF JUDGMENT THAT IS NOT ACCEPTED, SHALL BE ALLOWED TO RECOVER FROM THE OFFEREE, AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 15-35-400(B), REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE TOTAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE, FILING, OR OTHER COURT COSTS, AND EIGHT PERCENT INTEREST ON THE AMOUNT OF THE VERDICT OR AWARD FROM THE DATE OF THE OFFER, COMBINED WITH THE VERDICT OR AWARD, EXCEEDS THE LIABILITY LIMITS SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 154--Senators Young, Senn and Cromer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE “SOUTH CAROLINA STREET GANG AND CRIMINAL ENTERPRISE PREVENTION AND ANTI-RACKETEERING ACT”; BY AMENDING ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 8, TITLE 16, RELATING TO THE CRIMINAL GANG PREVENTION ACT, SO AS TO RETITLE THE ARTICLE, REVISE THE DEFINITIONS FOR PURPOSES OF THE ARTICLE, AND RESTRUCTURE THE ARTICLE AND THE OFFENSES AND PENALTIES CONTAINED WITHIN IT; AND BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 8, TITLE 16 SO AS TO CREATE ANTI-RACKETEERING PROVISIONS TO COMPLIMENT THE REVISED STREET GANG AND CRIMINAL ENTERPRISE PREVENTION ARTICLE, DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, AND CREATE VARIOUS RACKETEERING OFFENSES AND ESTABLISH PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 266--Senators Hutto, Jackson, Shealy, Devine and McLeod: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑19‑820, RELATING TO OUT‑OF‑HOME PLACEMENT, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE EXCEPTION FOR CHILDREN TO BE TRIED AS AN ADULT AND TO DECREASE THE LENGTH OF TIME THAT A CHILD MAY BE HELD IN A JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY FOR COMMITTING A STATUS OFFENSE OR FOR VIOLATING A RELATED COURT ORDER; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑19‑1020, RELATING TO INSTITUTING PROCEEDINGS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT THE CHILD AND HIS FAMILY SEEK COUNSELING WHEN THE STATUS OFFENSE IS OF INCORRIGIBILITY; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑19‑1440, RELATING TO COMMITMENT, SO AS TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN STATUS AND CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COURT ORDERS; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑19‑1810, RELATING TO DETERMINATION OF RELEASE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑19‑2050, RELATING TO PETITION FOR EXPUNGEMENT OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑19‑2050, RELATING TO PETITION FOR EXPUNGEMENT OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE AUTOMATIC EXPUNGEMENT OF A JUVENILE’S RECORDS FOR STATUS OFFENSES, WITH EXCEPTIONS.

(Read the first time--January 10, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 543--Senator Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 1‑11‑140, RELATING TO AUTHORIZATION OF FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY THROUGH THE OFFICE OF INSURANCE RESERVE FUND, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR EXTENSION OF COVERAGE TO EMPLOYEES OF ENTITIES INSURED BY THE INSURANCE RESERVE FUND PROVIDED THAT EMPLOYEES ACTED IN GOOD FAITH AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT.

(Read the first time--February 16, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 723--Senator Talley: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 27‑40‑20, RELATING TO THE PURPOSES AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION FOR THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT, SO AS TO EXEMPT CERTAIN TENANCIES FROM THE ACT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 45‑2‑60, RELATING TO THE EJECTMENT OF A PERSON FROM A LODGING ESTABLISHMENT, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE AN INNKEEPER TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT TO EJECT A PERSON AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON EJECTED FROM A CAMPGROUND HAS TEN DAYS TO MAKE A CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LEFT AT THE TIME OF EJECTMENT.

(Read the first time--April 12, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 841--Senators Alexander and Senn: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE “PROSECUTORS PERSONAL PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT” BY ADDING ARTICLE 9 TO CHAPTER 2, TITLE 30 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, AND TO PROVIDE CURRENT AND FORMER PROSECUTORS HAVE THE OPTION OF MAKING PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION HELD BY STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CONFIDENTIAL AND NOT SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE, TO PROVIDE LIMITED EXCEPTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED PROCEDURES FOR EXERCISING THIS OPTION, AMONG OTHER THINGS; AND TO PROVIDE THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON PROSECUTION COORDINATION SHALL CREATE A FORM FOR USE BY PROSECUTORS WHEN REQUESTING NONDISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION, AND TO SPECIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FORM.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 844--Senator Rankin: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO CREATE A REVIEW AND STUDY COMMITTEE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE REVIEW AND STUDY COMMITTEE SHALL CONDUCT A THOROUGH STUDY AND REVIEW OF SOUTH CAROLINA’S CIVIL JUSTICE AND INSURANCE LAWS REGARDING COVERAGE AVAILABILITY, PREMIUM RATES, AND DEDUCTIBLES; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE REVIEW AND STUDY COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE GOVERNOR.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

S. 849--Senators Verdin and Senn: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑53‑230, RELATING TO SCHEDULE III CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, SO AS TO ADD XYLAZINE AS A SCHEDULE III CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, WITH EXCEPTIONS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 44‑53‑372 SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE PRODUCTION, MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, OR POSSESSION OF XYLAZINE, WITH EXCEPTIONS, AND TO ESTABLISH ASSOCIATED CRIMINAL PENALTIES.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 866--Senator Shealy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑48‑30, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A REASONABLE EXPECTATION STANDARD FOR THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER SOMEONE IS LIKELY TO ENGAGE IN ACTS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑48‑20, RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, SO AS TO CLARIFY THE METHOD OF DETERMINATION FOR THE LIKLIHOOD THAT A PERSON WILL ENGAGE IN FUTURE ACTS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Medical Affairs--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 890--Senators Tedder and Senn: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-23-440, RELATING TO DISCHARGING FIREARMS AT OR INTO DWELLINGS, STRUCTURES, ENCLOSURES, VEHICLES, OR EQUIPMENT, AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE IT IS UNLAWFUL TO KNOWINGLY DISCHARGE FIREARMS AT OR IN THE DIRECTION OF ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS, AND PROVIDE A PENALTY.

(Read the first time--January 9, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 971--Senator Hutto: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 7‑7‑100, RELATING TO DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN BARNWELL COUNTY, SO AS TO  
  
  
IDENTIFY THE VOTING PLACE FOR CERTAIN PRECINCTS.

(Read the first time--January 17, 2024)

(Recalled from Committee on Judiciary--February 20, 2024)

(Recommitted to Committee on Judiciary--February 20, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

S. 975--Senators Martin, Corbin, Rice, Kimbrell and Grooms: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16‑17‑780 SO AS TO PROHIBIT BUSINESSES, NON‑PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, COLLEGES, SCHOOLS, AND EMPLOYERS FROM MANDATING THAT EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS, STUDENTS, PATRONS, CUSTOMERS, CLIENTS, OR GUESTS MUST RECEIVE A NOVEL VACCINE OR GENE THERAPY; BY ADDING SECTION 41‑1‑55 SO AS TO PROHIBIT EMPLOYERS FROM TAKING ANY ADVERSE PRE‑EMPLOYMENT OR EMPLOYMENT ACTION AGAINST AN INDIVIDUAL WHO DECLINES TO RECEIVE A VACCINE OR GENE THERAPY; BY AMENDING SECTION 40‑43‑86, RELATING TO FACILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR PHARMACIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PHARMACIST MAY REFUSE TO FILL A PRESCRIPTION DUE TO RELIGIOUS, MORAL, OR ETHICAL REASONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑1‑100, RELATING TO ASSISTANCE FROM PEACE AND HEALTH OFFICERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DIRECTOR MAY NOT REQUEST ASSISTANCE IN ENFORCING ORDERS PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑130, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR EMERGENCY HEALTH POWERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑330, RELATING TO THE PURCHASE AND DISTRIBUTION OF PHARMACEUTICAL AGENTS OR MEDICAL SUPPLIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT DHEC MAY PURCHASE AND DISTRIBUTE APPROVED PHARMACEUTICAL AGENTS OR MEDICAL SUPPLIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑500, RELATING TO CONTROL AND TREATMENT OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT DHEC MUST USE EVERY AVAILABLE MEANS TO PREVENT THE TRANSMISSION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE FOR WHICH THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY HAS BEEN CALLED; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑510, RELATING TO PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS OR TESTS AND ISOLATION OR QUARANTINE OF PERSONS REFUSING EXAMINATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT TESTS MUST BE FDA APPROVED FOR ACCURATE DETECTION OF THE BIOLOGICAL AGENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑520, RELATING TO VACCINATIONS AND TREATMENT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT DHEC MAY NOT ISOLATE AN INDIVIDUAL TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF A POSSIBLY CONTAGIOUS DISEASE, BUT ONLY A DISEASE KNOWN TO BE CONTAGIOUS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A VACCINE MUST NOT BE A GENE THERAPY; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑530, RELATING TO ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS AND PENALTY FOR NONCOMPLIANCE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT DHEC MAY ISOLATE OR QUARANTINE AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH OR EXPOSED TO THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASE FOR WHICH THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY WAS DECLARED; BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑540, RELATING TO ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE PROCEDURES, SO AS TO REMOVE ISOLATION PARAMETERS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 44‑4‑570, RELATING TO EMERGENCY POWERS REGARDING LICENSING OF HEALTH PERSONNEL, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT IN‑STATE HEALTH PROVIDERS MUST ASSIST IN VACCINATIONS, TREATMENTS, AND EXAMINATIONS, AND TO REMOVE THE PROVISION THAT ANY EMERGENCY ASSISTANT MEDICAL EXAMINER OR CORONER APPOINTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IS IMMUNE FROM CIVIL LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THEIR SERVICES.

(Read the first time--January 18, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Medical Affairs--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Contested by Senators Hutto, Tedder, McLeod, Sabb, Matthews and K. Johnson)

S. 1048--Senators M. Johnson, Young, Malloy, Setzler, Rankin, Talley, Hembree, Gustafson, Davis and Adams: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 15‑3‑710 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE BASIS FOR LIABILITY FOR A PERSON OR ESTABLISHMENT WHO ILLEGALLY FURNISHES ALCOHOL TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO INJURES A THIRD PARTY BASED UPON WHAT THE FURNISHER KNEW OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN UNDER THE CIRUCUMSTANCES; TO SPECIFY WHEN THE RIGHT OF ACTION IS NOT AVAILABLE; AND TO PROVIDE THE EVIDENTIARY STANDARD FOR THE VISIBLE INTOXICATION.

(Read the first time--February 14, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 1088--Senators Young, Hutto and Massey: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF ACT 205 OF 2016, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE EXEMPTION OF PRIVATE, FOR‑PROFIT PIPELINE COMPANIES FROM CERTAIN RIGHTS, POWERS, AND PRIVILEGES OF TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE COMPANIES THAT OTHERWISE ARE EXTENDED TO PIPELINE COMPANIES, SO AS TO EXTEND THE SUNSET PROVISION TO JUNE 30, 2026.

(Read the first time--February 22, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

S. 1112--Senator Shealy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑7‑2340, RELATING TO FINGERPRINT REVIEW, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR FINGERPRINT‑BASED BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR PERSONS APPLYING FOR LICENSURE AS A FOSTER PARENT, ADOPTIVE PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR EMPLOYEE OR VOLUNTEER OF A CHILD PLACING AGENCY, RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM, OR CONTRACTED SERVICE PROVIDER WHO HAS DIRECT UNSUPERVISED CONTACT WITH CHILDREN; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑7‑2345, RELATING TO PAYMENT OF COSTS OF FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FINGERPRINT REVIEWS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT COSTS FOR FINGERPRINT‑BASED BACKGROUND CHECKS MUST BE PAID BY THE INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY REQUESTING THE BACKGROUND CHECKS; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑7‑2350, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON FOSTER CARE, ADOPTION, OR LEGAL GUARDIAN PLACEMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A CHILD MAY BE PLACED IN THE HOME OF A KIN OR FICTIVE KIN CAREGIVER WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED OR PLED GUILTY TO A CRIMINAL OFFENSE IF MORE THAN FIVE YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE THE CONVICTION AND THE OFFENSE WAS NOT A FELONY INVOLVING VIOLENCE OR ANY CRIME AGAINST A CHILD; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑50, RELATING TO FINGERPRINT EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑60, RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY REVIEW FEE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑190, RELATING TO FINGERPRINT REVIEWS OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES PERSONNEL, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT VOLUNTEERS OR EMPLOYEES OF A CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR WHO CONTRACTS FOR DELIVERY OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES, FAMILY PRESERVATION SERVICES, FOSTER CARE SERVICES, FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES, ADOPTION SERVICES AND OTHER RELATED SERVICES OR PROGRAMS OR A PERSON WHO HAS DIRECT UNSUPERVISED CONTACT WITH A CHILD IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES SHALL UNDERGO A STATE FINGERPRINT‑BASED BACKGROUND CHECK; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑420, RELATING TO LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑430, RELATING TO LICENSE RENEWAL, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑620, RELATING TO STATEMENT OF APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑630, RELATING TO APPROVAL RENEWAL, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑820, RELATING TO REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑830, RELATING TO STATEMENT OF REGISTRATION, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑13‑1010, RELATING TO REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR CHURCH AND RELIGIOUS CENTERS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 63‑11‑70, RELATING TO BACKGROUND CHECKS AND PARDONS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

(Read the first time--February 28, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Family and Veterans’ Services--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

S. 1126--Senators Kimbrell, Peeler, Rice, M. Johnson, Adams, Climer, Garrett, Cash, Young, Alexander, Reichenbach, Shealy, Grooms, Cromer, Turner, Loftis, Fanning, Gustafson, Goldfinch, Massey and Campsen: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 4, ARTICLE II OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RELATING TO VOTER QUALIFICATIONS, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT ONLY A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES AND OF THIS STATE OF THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN AND UPWARDS WHO IS PROPERLY REGISTERED IS ENTITLED TO VOTE AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

(Read the first time--February 29, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 1150--Senators Climer, Verdin, Kimbrell and M. Johnson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 46‑57‑65 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO LABEL ANY CULTIVATED FOOD PRODUCT AS BEEF, POULTRY, FISH, OR ANY OTHER MEAT THAT THE CULTIVATED FOOD PRODUCT MAY RESEMBLE FOR THE PURPOSES OF MANUFACTURING, SELLING, OR HOLDING OR OFFERING FOR SALE IN THIS STATE.

(Read the first time--March 12, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 1175--Senator Malloy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 15‑3‑800 SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA DRAM SHOP ACT; BY ADDING SECTION 15‑3‑810 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SUFFERS DEATH, BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE BY AN INTOXICATED PERSON HAS A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES AGAINST THE HOLDER OF A PERMIT TO SELL BEER, WINE, OR LIQUOR IF THE PERMIT HOLDER KNOWINGLY SOLD, FURNISHED, OR SERVED ALCOHOL TO THE INTOXICATED PERSON AND THE SALE, FURNISHMENT, OR SERVICE WAS THE PROXIMATE CAUSE OF THE INJURY GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM; AND BY ADDING SECTION 15‑3‑820 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SUFFERS DEATH, BODILY INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE BY A PERSON UNDER THE LAWFUL DRINKING AGE HAS A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR DAMAGES AGAINST THE HOLDER OF A PERMIT TO SELL BEER, WINE, OR LIQUOR IF THE PERMIT HOLDER KNOWINGLY SOLD, FURNISHED, OR SERVED ALCOHOL TO THE PERSON UNDER THE LAWFUL DRINKING AGE AND THE SALE, FURNISHMENT, OR SERVICE WAS THE PROXIMATE CAUSE OF THE INJURY GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM.

(Read the first time--March 19, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 1215--Fish, Game and Forestry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL ANTLERLESS DEER TAGS, ANTLERLESS DEER LIMITS FOR PRIVATE LANDS IN GAME ZONES 1-4, AND YOUTH DEER HUNTING DAY, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5260, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

(Without reference--March 27, 2024)

S. 1216--Fish, Game and Forestry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO TURKEY HUNTING RULES AND SEASONS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5259, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

(Without reference--March 27, 2024)

S. 1217--Fish, Game and Forestry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ISSUANCE OF DEER DEPREDATION PERMITS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5250, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

(Without reference--March 27, 2024)

S. 1218--Family and Veterans' Services Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, RELATING TO FAMILY DAY CARE HOMES, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5229, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

(Without reference--March 27, 2024)

H. 4029--Reps. Dillard, Hyde, Bailey, Brittain, Weeks and Schuessler: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 33-1-103, RELATING TO DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATION IN MAGISTRATES COURT, SO AS TO INCLUDE HOUSING AUTHORITIES.

(Read the first time--January 31, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

H. 4552--Reps. Pendarvis, Clyburn, Henegan, M.M. Smith, B.L. Cox, Robbins, Brewer, King, Wheeler, Henderson-Myers, Erickson, Stavrinakis, Weeks, Davis, Rivers and Gilliard: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 31‑12‑30, RELATING TO REDEVELOPMENT OF FEDERAL MILITARY INSTALLATIONS DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT INCLUDES CERTAIN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS.

(Read the first time--March 7, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

H. 4909--Reps. B. Newton, Neese, Mitchell and Yow: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 7-7-350, RELATING TO DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN LANCASTER COUNTY, SO AS TO REMOVE ONE PRECINCT AND REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THESE PRECINCTS ARE DELINEATED.

(Read the first time--January 25, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

H. 4928--Reps. Davis, B.J. Cox, Hart, Jefferson, J. Moore, Caskey and Williams: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 25-21-10, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF VETERANS’ TRUST FUND, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR FUNDRAISING; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 25-21-30, RELATING TO THE DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE VETERANS’ TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABILITY TO FUNDRAISE.

(Read the first time--February 7, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Family and Veterans’ Services--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable with amendments)

H. 4937--Reps. Collins, Hiott and Carter: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 7-7-450, RELATING TO DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN PICKENS COUNTY, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE PICKENS COUNTY BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS, WITH APPROVAL FROM A MAJORITY OF THE PICKENS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, TO LOCATE A POLLING PLACE WITHIN FIVE MILES OF A PRECINCT’S BOUNDARIES IF NO SUITABLE LOCATION EXISTS WITHIN THE PRECINCT.

(Read the first time--January 31, 2024)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--March 27, 2024)

(Favorable)

SENATE RESOLUTION

S. 634--Senators Kimbrell, Rice, Climer, Loftis, Corbin, M. Johnson, Peeler, Turner, Grooms, Adams, Gustafson, Verdin and Garrett: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT PUBLIC FUNDS SHOULD NOT BE DEDICATED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT BENEFIT A CORPORATION THAT IS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN PROMOTING ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, OR POLITICAL GOALS, OBJECTIVES, OR OUTCOMES.

(Introduced--March 14, 2023)

(Reported by Committee on Finance--April 26, 2023)

(Favorable)

(Contested by Senator Jackson)

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