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**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE GARRY SMITH**

**SECTION 11 - H03-COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**

*11.pf.(CHE: Parity Funding) The Commission on Higher Education is directed to study the issue of parity funding for all state institutions of higher learning. Findings and recommendations shall be submitted to the members of the General Assembly by January 3, 2014.*

Representative Loftis proposes the following proviso change: # 2 Substitute

## Department of Social Services

### Strike existing proviso

**38.20. (~~DSS~~): Teen Pregnancy Prevention)** (A) From the monies appropriated for the Continuation of Teen Pregnancy Prevention, the department must award two contracts to separate private, non-profit 501(c)(3) entities to provide teen pregnancy prevention programs and services within the State.

(B) Contracts must be awarded utilizing a competitive approach in accordance with the South Carolina Procurement Code.

(C) The monies appropriated must be divided equally between the contracts and paid over a twelve month basis for services rendered. Unexpended funds shall be carried forward for the purpose of fulfilling the department's contractual agreement.

(D) Entities that have a proven and public history of having effectively implemented abstinence programs in this State may be given a preference during the contract evaluation and awarding process. For the purposes of this proviso, a program is "effectively implemented" if the program has published positive behavioral outcomes by an independent and nationally recognized private or government agency demonstrating that a year after the program, program participants initiated sex at a rate of at least thirty percent lower than comparable non-program students.

(E)(1) One contract must be awarded to an entity that utilizes an abstinence first, age appropriate comprehensive approach to health and sexuality education with a goal of preventing adolescent pregnancy throughout South Carolina.

(2)(a) One contract must be awarded to an entity that uses a National Abstinence Clearinghouse (NAC) approved curricula for a minimum of one year prior to their application. NAC is the agency the federal Department of Health and Human Services has chosen to provide a comprehensive, national list of approved abstinence only education curricula that is consistent with the A through H legislative requirements defined in Title V, Section 510(b)(2). Any entity that is awarded one of the above contracts must agree to provide data to verify the program effectiveness.

(b) The contract awarded pursuant to this item must be awarded to entities that utilize a program or evaluation process approved by, and under the supervision of, a federally approved Institutional Review Board (IRB) and have been evaluated and approved for medical accuracy by the United States Health and Human Services' Office of Adolescent Health or the Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention. Contracts may also be awarded to entities that do not meet these requirements on the date of the award but the entity must meet the requirements by the end of the fiscal year or the entity must forfeit the final quarterly payment.

(c) Prior to receiving funding the entities awarded the contracts pursuant to this item must verify that the program they implement meets the Cooperative Agreement with the Centers for Disease Control Division of Adolescent School Health (CDC-DASH) approved SMARTool (Systematic Method for Assessing Risk-avoidance Tool) minimum standard for abstinence curriculum evaluation or the Cooperate

~~Agreement with the Centers for Disease Control Division of Reproductive Health Tool to Assess the Characteristics of Effective Sex and STD/HIV Education Programs.~~

~~(F) The programs implemented by the entities awarded contracts pursuant to this proviso may not violate any portion of the South Carolina Comprehensive Health Education Act when implemented in a school setting. An entity that violates any portion of the South Carolina Comprehensive Health Education Act must reimburse the State for all funds disbursed.~~

Insert the following new language:

38.20. (DSS: Abstinence Until Marriage Teen Pregnancy Prevention Funding) From the monies appropriated for the Continuation of Teen Pregnancy Prevention, contracts must be awarded to separate private entities to provide Abstinence Until Marriage teen pregnancy prevention programs and services within the State. The monies appropriated will be half the amount allocated for the Continuation of Teen Pregnancy Prevention with the other half appropriated under (New Proviso Number DSS:Comprehensive Teen Pregnancy Prevention Funding). Monies will be paid over a twelve month basis for services rendered. Unexpended funds shall be carried forward for the purpose of fulfilling the department's contractual agreement. Entities that have a proven and public history of having effectively implemented abstinence programs may be given a preference during the contract evaluation and awarding process. Abstinence until marriage contracts must be awarded to programs that are consistent with the A through H legislative requirements defined in Title V, Section 510(b)(2) and are evidence-based and medically accurate. A five-member committee shall oversee the contract award process. The committee's first meeting shall be on or before August 1, 2013. The five member committee shall be composed as follows: the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint two members of the committee, the Speaker of the House shall appoint two members of the committee and the Governor shall appoint one. Programs implemented by the entities awarded contracts pursuant to this proviso must be compliant with the South Carolina Comprehensive Health Education Act when implemented in a school setting.

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE G.M. SMITH**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**

**34.scr. (DHEC: Cancer Early Detection/Screenings) Of the funds received by the Department of Health and Environmental Control from the cigarette surtax, \$1,000,000 shall be used for the Best Chance Network and \$1,000,000 shall be used for Colorectal Cancer Awareness/Prevention.**

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**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE COBB-HUNTER**

**GENERAL PROVISIO**

**117.101** (GP: WIA Meeting Requirements) For Fiscal Year ~~2012-13~~ 2013-14, a Workforce Investment Board meeting must be subject to all notice requirements of the Freedom of Information Act, and no actions of any Workforce Investment Board may not take place be considered unless a quorum of the board membership is present. Any decision made in violation of these requirements is void.

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SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE COBB-HUNTER

GENERAL PROVISIO

117.102 (GP: WIA Service Advertising) For Fiscal Year ~~2012-13~~ 2013-14, the Workforce Investment Act Boards may ~~advertise~~ promote outreach for its services via billboard, bus placard, newspapers, or radio in all workforce investment areas. This ~~advertising~~ outreach may not be limited to e-mail, online, or other internet-based ~~advertising~~ outreach, publicity, or other promotions. Workforce investment boards must adhere to all state procurement policies and procedures when ~~advertising~~ utilizing outreach for the services provided by the Workforce Investment Act.

#6

SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE COBB-HUNTER

GENERAL PROVISIO

117.103 (GP: WIA Training Marketability Evaluation) For Fiscal Year 2012-13 2013-14, local workforce investment boards shall prepare an the Department of Employment and Workforce, shall submit any and all annual report reports required by the United States Department of Labor in reference to the Workforce Investment Act and the Workforce Investment Boards that demonstrates how funds were expended in the prior fiscal year to provide marketable work skills training. The report shall include, but not be limited to the total number of local training recipients, a description of the training area in which each recipient participated, and the number and percentage of participants in each training area that, upon completion of training, have become employed in the field in which they were trained. The report shall be annually submitted to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee ~~on or before November 16th~~ when submitted to the United States Department of Labor.

# 7

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE MERRILL**

**STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION**

25.mssc. (TEC: MSSC) The funds appropriated to the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education for the Manufacturing Skills Standards Council Initiative may not be used for marketing or consulting associated with the Initiative.

# 8

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE ROLAND SMITH**

**DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

**80.5.** (CA: Retention of Fees) For Fiscal Year ~~2012-13~~ 2013-14, the department may retain all fees collected pursuant to Sections 39-61-80, 39-61-120, 40-39-120, and 44-79-80 of the 1976 Code. The funds retained shall be utilized to implement the requirements of the programs mandated by those sections of the code.

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE ROLAND SMITH**

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION**

**81.8.** (LLR: Immigration Bill Funding Report) Prior to any funds carried forward from the prior fiscal year in Subfund 3135 being transferred to fund any other purpose, \$250,000 must be retained by the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to fund the department's responsibilities under the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act. The department shall compile an accountability report outlining expenditures of the Immigration Bill funding to be issued to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Natural Resources and Economic Development Subcommittee, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Transportation and Regulatory Subcommittee. Said report must be issued on the first Tuesday of February ~~2012~~ 2014.

## REPRESENTATIVE SIMRILL PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:

### Statewide Revenue

Delete:

118.13. (SR: National Mortgage Settlement) ~~Of the funds derived from the National Mortgage Settlement and credited to the Litigation Recovery Account during the prior fiscal year, the first \$4,636,000 must be transferred to the General Fund for credit in Fiscal Year 2011-12, the next ten million dollars in that account in the current fiscal year must be transferred to the Department of Commerce's Deal Closing Fund, and any remaining amount in the Litigation Recovery Account on July 1, 2012, must be transferred to the General Fund for credit in Fiscal Year 2012-13.~~

## REPRESENTATIVE SIMRILL PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:

### Department of Commerce

Amend:

50.9. (CMRC: Funding For I-73 & ~~I-74~~) Of the funds authorized for the Coordinating Council Economic Development, \$500,000 shall be made available for the routing, planning and construction of I-73 and ~~\$500,000 shall be made available for the routing, planning, and construction of I-74.~~

## REPRESENTATIVE SIMRILL PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:

### CLEMSON PSA

Amend further:

**45.8.** (CU-PSA: ~~Meat Inspection Program~~ Livestock-Poultry Health Programs) For the current fiscal year Clemson University Public Service Activities shall maintain operation of the state Meat Inspection Program. All revenues and recoveries from USDA Food Safety Inspection Services and from USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services for Clemson University PSA's ~~Meat and Poultry Inspection Department~~ Livestock-Poultry Health Programs and its departments shall be retained by Clemson University-PSA's Livestock-Poultry Health Program for purposes of carrying out the operation of ~~that program~~ its programs.

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## REPRESENTATIVE G. SMITH PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:

### General Provisions

Add:

117.sgf. (GP: Sea Grant Funding) For the current fiscal year, the following agencies shall transfer to the Sea Grant Consortium the following amounts from their existing budgets on July 1, 2013: University of South Carolina, \$115,122; Department of Natural Resources, \$77,785; Clemson University, \$56,005; Coastal Carolina University, \$31,114; College of Charleston, \$21,780; and Medical University of South Carolina, \$9,334. The Consortium shall have the authorization to receive and expend the funds transferred.

**#14**

**REPRESENTATIVES MERRILL, SIMRILL, BINGHAM, M. SMITH, J.R. SMITH, PITTS,  
and LIMEHOUSE PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:**

**Office of the Governor**

Add:

92.dbf. (GOV: Data Breach Consulting Fees) Fees incurred for public relations, consulting, and legal services in the aftermath of the Department of Revenue Data Security Breach shall be paid for by the Office of the Governor with funds appropriated in the current fiscal year for that purpose. The Office of the Governor shall repay the portion of the Insurance Reserve Fund inter-governmental loan on behalf of the Department of Revenue for costs paid to firms that provided legal and public relations consulting services.

**Representatives Barfield, Bingham, Allison, Anthony and Hayes**

**NEW # 15**

**1A.CERRA.** (SDE-EIA: XII.F.2 - CHE/CERRA) The Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention and Advancement (CERRA South Carolina) must review the list of schools eligible for receiving Teaching Fellows Program scholarships to ensure all schools currently on the list of eligible institutions still meet the necessary criteria as set forth by CERRA. Further, CERRA is directed to add any public institutions that currently meet the criteria so that they may admit students receiving a Teaching Fellows scholarship.

**Representatives Bingham, Allison, Anthony and Hayes**

**NEW # 16**

**6. BLDG .** (SDB: Buildings) For the current fiscal year; the South Carolina School for the Deaf and Blind will be subject to the same requirements as a local education agency for the purposes of building renovation and construction.

**Representatives Bingham, Allison, Anthony and Hayes**

**NEW # 17**

**1A.EIA .** (SDE-EIA: XII.A.1 - Aid to Districts Draw Down) For Fiscal Year 2013-14, in order to draw down funds appropriated in Part IA, Section 1, XII.A.1 - Aid to Districts, a school district must work with local law enforcement agencies, and when necessary, state law enforcement agencies in order to ensure that the district has an updated school safety plan in place. The safety plan must include safety directives in the classroom, a safe student and staff exit strategy and necessary safety staff. Notice of completion of the updated plan must be submitted to the Department of Education no later than September 1st, 2013. The department must report to the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, the Chairman of the House Education and Public Works Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee any districts that failed to submit an updated plan by September 30th, 2013.

**Representatives Bingham, Allison, Anthony and Hayes**

**NEW # 18**

**1.SDE.** (SDE - District Funding Flexibility) For Fiscal Year 2013-14, districts must utilize funding flexibility provided herein to ensure that district approved safety precautions are in place at every school.

Representative Murrell Smith proposed the following proviso amendment:

DSS

Delete

~~38.23. (DSS: Analysis of Referrals) The Director of the department, in collaboration with the Superintendent of the John de la Howe School, shall conduct an analysis of the process for referrals to the School in order to maximize the potential for the provision of services by the School. The department shall prepare a report on the referral process and the report shall also include a three year history of all referrals/placements made by the department by facility type and level of care. The report shall be submitted to the Governor, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and the Chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee no later than December 1, 2012.~~

**REPRESENTATIVE SKELTON PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:**

**NEW PROVISIO**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Section 38, DSS, New Proviso**

(DSS: Comprehensive Teen Pregnancy Prevention Funding)

(A) From the monies appropriated for the Continuation of Teen Pregnancy Prevention, the department must award half of the dollars allocated to a non-profit 501(c)(3) entity to provide abstinence first, age appropriate comprehensive approach to health and sexuality education with a goal of preventing adolescent pregnancy throughout South Carolina.

(B) Contracts must be awarded utilizing a competitive approach in accordance with the South Carolina Procurement Code.

(C) The monies appropriated must be paid over a twelve month basis for services rendered. Unexpended funds shall be carried forward for the purpose of fulfilling the department's contractual agreement.

(D) The programs implemented by the entity awarded a contract pursuant to this proviso may not violate any portion of the South Carolina Comprehensive Health Education Act when implemented in a school setting. An entity that violates any portion of the South Carolina Comprehensive Health Education Act must reimburse the State for all funds disbursed.

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Representative Murrell Smith proposes the following proviso amendment:

**DHHS**

**33.23.** (DHHS: Medicaid Provider Fraud) The department shall expand and increase its effort to identify, report, and combat Medicaid provider fraud. The department shall ~~report to the General Assembly before~~ publish on its' agency homepage by April 1, 2013 ~~of the current fiscal year,~~ on the results of these efforts, *the* funds recuperated recovered or saved, and information pertaining to prosecutions of such ~~actions~~ cases, including pleas agreements entered into.

Representative Murrell Smith proposes the following proviso amendment:

**DHHS**

**33.29.** (DHHS: Medicaid Reporting) Within ninety days of the end of each quarter ~~in Fiscal Year 2012-13~~ *during the current fiscal year*, the department shall report each cost-savings measure implemented. By county, the department shall report the number of enrolled and active providers by provider type, provider specialty and sub-specialty, the number of recipients, the number of recipients by provider type, the expenditures by provider type and specialty, and service level utilization trends. The department shall continue to annually report HEDIS measures, noting where measures improve or decline. Each report shall be ~~submitted to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives,~~ and be prominently displayed on the department's website.

Representative Murrell Smith proposes the following proviso amendment:

**34.11.** (DHEC: Sickle Cell Programs) \$761,233 is appropriated for Sickle Cell program services and shall be apportioned as follows:

(1) sixty-seven percent is to be divided equitably between the existing Community Based Sickle Cell Programs located in Spartanburg, Columbia, Orangeburg, and Charleston; and

(2) thirty-three percent is for the Community Based Sickle Cell Program at DHEC.

The funds shall be used for providing prevention programs, educational programs, testing, counseling and newborn screening. The balance of the total appropriation must be used for Sickle Cell Services operated by the Independent Living program of DHEC. The funds appropriated to the community based sickle cell centers shall be reduced to reflect any percent reduction assigned to the Department of Health and Environmental Control by the Budget and Control Board; provided, however, that the department may not act unilaterally to reduce the funds for the Sickle Cell program greater than such stipulated percentage. The department shall not be required to undertake any treatment, medical management or health care follow-up for any person with sickle cell disease identified through any neonatal testing program, beyond the level of services supported by funds now or subsequently appropriated for such services. No funds appropriated for ongoing or newly established sickle cell services may be diverted to other budget categories within the DHEC budget. For Fiscal Year ~~2012-13~~ 2013-14, the department shall not reduce these funds below the current funding level.

Representative Murrell Smith proposes the following proviso amendment:

#### General Provisos

**117.99.** (GP: Means Test) All agencies providing Healthcare Services are directed to identify standards and criteria for means testing on all programs provided, where allowed by Federal guidelines. Once a consistent criteria has been established within an agency, they shall implement their respective plans. Each agency shall report all criteria and fiscal data to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and to the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee no later than January 1, ~~2012~~ 2013. 2014

For any establishment where rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are furnished to transients, a sales tax ~~of five percent~~ may not be imposed on additional guest charges for services that are readily available to the general public. Additional guest charges include, but are not limited to: spa services; salon services; sporting lessons; children's activities; outside transportation; private tour guides; and purchase of tour tickets from non-profit organizations.

## SPONSOR: REP. ROLAND SMITH

~~84.9. (DOT: Utilities Relocation) (A) From the funds appropriated to the Department of Transportation, there is established the Utilities Relocation Study Committee to review, study, and make recommendations concerning the need for improved coordination and funding of the relocation of water and sewer facilities, and the facilities of public utilities as defined in Title 58 of the 1976 Code, located within the public rights of way when such relocation is required due to the construction or improvement of roads and bridges in the state.~~

~~(B) The Utilities Relocation Study Committee is to:~~

~~(1) identify and categorize a statewide estimate of the historical, current and anticipated costs associated with the relocation of water and sewer and public utilities inside and outside the rights of way owned by state agencies, counties, municipalities, or local water or sewer districts resulting from highway projects;~~

~~(2) determine as accurately as possible the percentage of the statewide cost estimate attributable to South Carolina Department of Transportation projects, State Transportation Infrastructure Bank projects, local option sales tax projects involving state roads, local road projects, and County Transportation Committee projects;~~

~~(3) identify potential sources of sustainable funds that may be used by state agencies, counties, municipalities, local water or sewer districts, or public utilities for utility relocation costs including, but not limited to, existing state and federal loan and grant programs, appropriations from the state general fund, contributions from public utilities, and other sustainable sources;~~

~~(4) identify any legal obstacles that impact the ability of state agencies, counties, municipalities, or local water or sewer districts to fund the relocation of utilities;~~

~~(5) investigate the creation of a utilities relocation trust fund to assist in relocation costs either through loans, grants, matching funds, or other means, and recommend the appropriate entity to house and administer the trust fund, the terms and conditions under which funding might be provided, and the general criteria used for evaluating funding applications;~~

~~(6) identify ways to improve coordination and reduce impacts through the use of communication, technology and improved management techniques; and~~

~~(7) recommend changes to public policy, regulations, or statutes that would improve funding or reduce costs associated with utility relocations resulting from road and bridge projects.~~

~~(C) The Utilities Relocation Study Committee must be composed of fifteen members. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 8-13-770, the committee is composed of:~~

~~(1) one member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;~~

~~(2) one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;~~

~~(3) one member appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate;~~

~~(4) one member appointed by the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives;~~

~~(5) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;~~

~~(6) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives;~~

~~(7) one member appointed by the Governor;~~

~~(8) the Secretary of Transportation, or his designee;~~

~~(9) the Chairman of the South Carolina Department of Transportation Commission, or his designee;~~

~~(10) one member representing the South Carolina Rural Water Association;~~

~~(11) one member representing the Water Utility Council of South Carolina;~~

~~(12) one member representing the South Carolina Water Quality Association;~~

~~(13) one member representing the Municipal Association of South Carolina;~~

~~(14) one member representing the South Carolina Association of Counties; and~~

~~(15) one member representing the South Carolina Association of Special Purpose Districts.~~

~~(D) The members of the study committee shall serve without compensation and may not receive mileage or per diem.~~

~~(E) The Utilities Relocation Study Committee shall make a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than June 30, 2013, at which time the study committee terminates.~~

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Representative Murrell Smith proposes the following proviso amendment:

#### General Provisos

**38.22.** (DSS: Day Care Facilities Supervision Ratios) For ~~Fiscal Year 2012-13~~ the current fiscal year, staff-child ratios contained in Regulations 114-504(B), 114-504(C), 114-524(B), and 114-524(C) shall remain at the June 24, 2008 levels.

**REPRESENTATIVE OTT PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT:****NEW PROVISIO****DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

33.wai (DHHS: Non-Disabled, Childless Adults Waiver) Whenever the United States Secretary for Department of Health and Human Services notifies State Medicaid Agencies that it will accept applications for waivers for Medicaid eligibility for non-disabled, childless adults whose income is up to 100% of the Federal Poverty Level, the Director of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) must, within 30 days, submit an application for this waiver which must include strategies for improving health outcomes, purchasing the most healthcare at the least possible cost, and continuing implementation of coordinated care.

## **Amendment # 31**

**Rep. Pitts proposes the following:**

Clemson University - PSA

45.NEW (Broadcasting Wheat): Clemson University PSA is directed to use existing funds to start a pilot study on the effectiveness of broadcasting wheat for use as a cover crop.

## Amendment # 32

Rep. Pitts proposes the following:

Attorney General

~~59.7. (AG: Savannah River Maritime Commission Funds) The Office of the Attorney General is authorized to use funds appropriated in Fiscal Year 2012-13 for litigation expenses related to the Savannah River Maritime Commission to reimburse litigation expenditures incurred by the Office of the Attorney General on behalf of the Savannah River Maritime Commission during Fiscal Year 2011-12. Following the conclusion of these litigation matters any remaining funds shall be deposited in the General Fund.~~

Representative Loftis proposes the following proviso amendment:

DHEC

**34.40.** (DHEC: Abstinence Education Contract) ~~Upon appropriation of funds from the Federal government the agencies under contract with the State of South Carolina as of December 2012 and funded with federal and matching funds under~~ For the current fiscal year, funds made available to the State of South Carolina under the provisions of Title V, Section 510, ~~must continue to be under contract at the same annualized funding level, for the same purposes for the current fiscal year of 2012-13~~ may only be awarded to other entities through a competitive bidding process.

Representatives Ott, Hayes, Anthony, Hosey, Neal, Cobb-Hunter and Stavrinakis propose the following new proviso:

**Section 33, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS: Medicaid Expansion)**

(A) During the current fiscal year, the state shall expand the Medicaid program to provide assistance to all persons who apply and who are determined to be eligible for such assistance and for whom federal matching funds are available to the state under the "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" (Public Law 111-148, March 23, 2010) as amended by the "Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010" (Public Law 111-152, March 30, 2010).

(B) The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is hereby directed to take any and all steps necessary to implement the Medicaid expansion program as provided for in subsection (A) and shall be the lead agency for the implementation. The DHHS is authorized to seek assistance from any state or federal agencies or entities to implement the program, and all state agencies or entities shall provide such assistance as requested by the DHHS.

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVES G.M. SMITH**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**

**34.src** (DHEC: Cancer Early Detection/Screenings) Of the funds appropriated and/or authorized to the Department of Health and Environmental Control, \$1,000,000 shall be used for the Best Chance Network and \$1,000,000 shall be used for Colorectal Cancer Awareness/Prevention.

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE LEON STAVRINAKIS**

**LOTTERY EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

**3. ser (LEA: Scholarship Eligibility Requirement)** Students awarded the merit based scholarships of Palmetto Fellows and Life shall remain eligible as long as they keep a grade average of 80 based on a 100 point scale. The amount of time that the student is eligible shall be determined by the provisions of the scholarships.

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE LEON STAVRINAKIS**

**COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**

**11.cgps** (CHE: Common Grading Policy Study) (A)CHE: From funds appropriated pursuant to Section 6, Part IA of this act, the Commission on Higher Education shall conduct a study of issues arising in developing a common grading policy for retention eligibility for Palmetto Fellows and LIFE lottery funded scholarships that would adjust for variations in grading policies, and grades earned across all eligible institutions and variations within eligible institutions in grading policy and grades earned in academic majors within eligible institutions. In conducting the study, CHE shall recommend a model common grading policy to adjust for variations in grading for student retention of Palmetto Fellows and LIFE scholarships.

(B) CHE shall submit its report and recommendations pursuant to this paragraph no later than January 15, 2014, by filing the report and recommendations with the respective chairmen and members of the House Education and Public Works Committee, the House Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Education Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee.

**SPONSOR: REPRESENTATIVE KENNY BINGHAM**

**GENERAL PROVISOS**

**117. cmp (General Provisions: Committee Members Purchases)** Ways and means committee members shall be permitted to purchase new committee chairs from their personal accounts.

## Amendment # 39

Rep. Pitts proposes the following:

Attorney General

**59.7.** (AG: Savannah River Maritime Commission Funds) The Office of the Attorney General is authorized to use funds appropriated in ~~Fiscal Year 2012-13~~ for the Savannah River Maritime Commission for litigation expenses related to the Savannah River Maritime Commission to reimburse litigation expenditures incurred by the Office of the Attorney General on behalf of the Savannah River Maritime Commission during ~~Fiscal Year 2011-12~~ the current fiscal year. Following the conclusion of these litigation matters any remaining funds shall be deposited in the General Fund.