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H*3003 (Rat #0054, Act #0027 of 2011) General Bill, By Clemmons, Harrell, Lucas, Bingham, Harrison, Cooper, Owens, Sandifer, Allison, Ballentine, Bannister, Barfield, Bowen, Cole, Crawford, Daning, Delleney, Forrester, Frye, Gambrell, Hamilton, Hardwick, Hiott, Horne, Huggins, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, Lowe, Merrill, V.S. Moss, Norman, Parker, G.M. Smith, G.R. Smith, Sottile, Stringer, Toole, Umphlett, Viers, White, Crosby, Thayer, Simrill, Ryan, McCoy, Murphy, Atwater, Henderson, Quinn, Tallon, Patrick, J.R. Smith, Hixon, Taylor, Young, Bedingfield, Corbin, Pitts, Chumley, Spires, Pope, Bikas, Pinson, D.C. Moss, Erickson, Willis, Brady, Herbkersman, Nanney, Brannon and Whitmire Similar (S 0001, H 3961)

Summary: Voter ID

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7-1-25, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF "DOMICILE", SO AS TO PROVIDE FACTORS TO CONSIDER IN DETERMINING A PERSON'S INTENTION REGARDING HIS DOMICILE FOR VOTING PURPOSES; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-125, RELATING TO WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF AN ELECTOR LOSES OR DEFACES HIS REGISTRATION NOTIFICATION, HE MAY OBTAIN A DUPLICATE NOTIFICATION FROM HIS COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRATION; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-230, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO LEGAL QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS FOR REGISTRATION AND CHALLENGES OF QUALIFICATIONS, SO AS TO REVISE WHAT THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION MUST CONSIDER WHEN A CHALLENGE IS MADE REGARDING RESIDENCE OR DOMICILE OF AN ELECTOR; BY ADDING SECTION 7-5-675 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION SHALL IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM TO ISSUE VOTER REGISTRATION CARDS WITH A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE ELECTOR, AND TO PROVIDE WHEN THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION TAKE EFFECT INCLUDING A REQUIREMENT THAT IMPLEMENTATION IS CONTINGENT ON FUNDING TO IMPLEMENT THIS REQUIREMENT: TO AMEND SECTION 7-13-710, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PROOF OF THE RIGHT TO VOTE, SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN PHOTOGRAPH IDENTIFICATION IN ORDER TO VOTE, TO PROVIDE THAT ONE OF THE POLL MANAGERS SHALL COMPARE THE PHOTOGRAPH CONTAINED ON THE REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION WITH THE PERSON PRESENTING HIMSELF TO VOTE AND SHALL VERIFY THAT THE PHOTOGRAPH IS THAT OF THE PERSON SEEKING TO VOTE, TO PERMIT PROVISIONAL BALLOTS IF THE PHOTOGRAPH IDENTIFICATION CANNOT BE PRODUCED OR IF THE POLL MANAGER DISPUTES THE PHOTOGRAPH, TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS FOR A RELIGIOUS OBJECTION TO BEING PHOTOGRAPHED OR IF THE ELECTOR SUFFERS FROM A REASONABLE IMPAIRMENT THAT PREVENTS HIM FROM OBTAINING PHOTOGRAPH IDENTIFICATION, TO PERMIT THE CASTING OF A PROVISIONAL BALLOT IN THESE CASES UPON SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS INCLUDING AN AFFIDAVIT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THE COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS SHALL PROCESS THESE PROVISIONAL BALLOTS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED ABOVE IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE IDENTITY OF THE ELECTOR AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THE ELECTOR'S DOMICILE SHALL BE DETERMINED. FOR PURPOSES OF VOTING; TO AMEND SECTION 56-1-3350, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE TEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, SO AS TO REDUCE THIS AGE TO FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, TO PROVIDE THAT THESE CARDS MUST BE ISSUED FREE OF CHARGE TO PERSONS SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER AND FOR THE FEE TO BE CHARGED TO PERSONS BETWEEN THE AGES OF FIVE AND SIXTEEN, TO DELETE LANGUAGE OF THE SECTION RELATING TO RENEWAL FEES AND WAIVER OF FEES, AND TO REVISE PROVISIONS OF THE SECTION PERTAINING TO USE OF THE FEES COLLECTED; TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH AN AGGRESSIVE VOTER EDUCATION PROGRAM CONCERNING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN CERTAIN PARTICULARS OF THIS ACT AND THE COMMISSION ALSO MAY IMPLEMENT ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS IN ITS DISCRETION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION IS DIRECTED TO CREATE A LIST CONTAINING ALL REGISTERED VOTERS OF SOUTH CAROLINA WHO ARE OTHERWISE QUALIFIED TO VOTE BUT DO NOT HAVE A SOUTH CAROLINA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR OTHER FORM OF IDENTIFICATION CONTAINING A PHOTOGRAPH ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES AS OF DECEMBER 1, 2011, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES MUST PROVIDE THE LIST OF PERSONS WITH A SOUTH CAROLINA DRIVER'S LICENSE OR OTHER FORM OF IDENTIFICATION CONTAINING A PHOTOGRAPH ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES AT NO COST TO THE COMMISSION. - ratified title

12/07/10 House Prefiled

12/07/10 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary

01/11/11 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 3)

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01/11/11	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 3)
01/12/11	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Atwater
01/18/11	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Henderson, Quinn, Tallon, Patrick, J.R.Smith, Hixon,
		Taylor, Young, Bedingfield, Corbin, Pitts, Chumley, Spires, Pope, Bikas, Pinson
01/19/11	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (House Journal-page 2)
01/20/11	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: D.C.Moss
01/25/11	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Erickson, Willis
01/25/11	House	Objection by Rep. Cobb-Hunter and Sellers (House Journal-page 32)
01/25/11	House	Requests for debate-Rep(s). Clemmons, Crawford, JE Smith, Hart, Govan, McEachern, Erickson, Brantley, King, Jefferson, Munnerlyn, Forrester, Parker, Allison, Mack, Mitchell, Bikas, DC Moss, JR Smith, Hixon, Taylor, Young, RL Brown, GA Brown, Anderson, Clyburn, Hosey, Brannon, Hayes, Battle, Gilliard, McCoy, Stringer, Sandifer, Whitmire, VS Moss, Nanney, Bedinfield, Henderson, Allen, Hearn, Dillard, Corbin, Hardwick, Loftis, Pope, Whipper, Ott, and Vick (House Journal-page 32)
01/26/11	House	Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Brady, Herbkersman, Nanney, Brannon, Whitmire
01/26/11	House	Amended (House Journal-page 28)
01/26/11	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 28)
01/26/11	House	Roll call Yeas-74 Nays-45 (House Journal-page 28)
01/27/11	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 34)
01/27/11	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 17)
01/27/11	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 17)
02/03/11		Scrivener's error corrected
02/08/11	Senate	Motion For Special Order Failed (Senate Journal-page 14)
02/08/11	Senate	Roll call Ayes-25 Nays-15 (Senate Journal-page 14)
02/09/11	Senate	Motion For Special Order Failed (Senate Journal-page 23)
02/09/11	Senate	Roll call Ayes-26 Nays-14 (Senate Journal-page 23)
02/10/11	Senate	Special order, set for February 10, 2011 (Senate Journal-page 19)
02/10/11	Senate	Roll call Ayes-26 Nays-17 (Senate Journal-page 19)
02/15/11	Senate	Debate interrupted (Senate Journal-page 24)
02/16/11	Senate	Debate interrupted (Senate Journal-page 23)
02/17/11	Senate	Debate interrupted (Senate Journal-page 12)
02/22/11	Senate	Debate interrupted (Senate Journal-page 23)
02/23/11	Senate	Committee Amendment Amended and Adopted (Senate Journal-page 36)
02/23/11	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 36)
02/23/11	Senate	Roll call Ayes-26 Nays-15 (Senate Journal-page 36)
02/24/11		Scrivener's error corrected
02/24/11	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 11)
02/24/11	Senate	Roll call Ayes-24 Nays-15 (Senate Journal-page 11)
02/24/11		Scrivener's error corrected
02/25/11		Scrivener's error corrected
03/02/11	House	Debate adjourned until Thursday, March 3, 2011 (House Journal-page 49)
03/03/11	House	Debate adjourned until Tuesday, March 8, 2011 (House Journal-page 28)
03/08/11	House	Debate adjourned until Wednesday, March 9, 2011 (House Journal-page 73)
03/09/11	House	Debate adjourned on amendments (House Journal-page 27)
03/10/11	House	Debate adjourned on amendments (House Journal-page 30)
03/29/11	House	Debate adjourned on Senate amendments until Wednesday, March 30, 2011 (House Journal-page 30)
03/30/11	House	Debate adjourned on Senate amendments until Thursday, March 31, 2011 (House Journal-page 33)
03/31/11	House	Debate adjourned on amendments (House Journal-page 35)
04/05/11	House	Debate adjourned on Senate amendments until Wednesday, April 6, 2011 (House Journal-page
04/06/14	Нешее	22) Senate amendment amended (House Journal page 36)

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04/06/11	House	Returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 36)
04/13/11	Senate	Non-concurrence in House amendment (Senate Journal-page 35)
04/13/11	Senate	Roll call Ayes-28 Nays-15 (Senate Journal-page 35)
04/14/11	House	House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. Clemmons, Lucas, and Merrill (House Journal-page 2)
04/14/11	Senate	Conference committee appointed McConnell, Campsen, and Scott (Senate Journal-page 21)
04/26/11	House	Conference report received and adopted (House Journal-page 38)
04/26/11	House	Roll call Yeas-71 Nays-36 (House Journal-page 38)
05/11/11	Senate	Conference report received and adopted (Senate Journal-page 35)
05/11/11	Senate	Roll call Ayes-26 Nays-16 (Senate Journal-page 35)
05/11/11	Senate	Ordered enrolled for ratification (Senate Journal-page 47)
05/17/11		Ratified R 54
05/18/11		Signed By Governor
05/24/11		Effective date See Act for Effective Date
05/24/11		Act No. 27