

## Session 117 - (2007-2008)

### H 4499 General Bill, By Kirsh

#### Summary: Attorney fees

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-60-2545, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE AWARDING OF REASONABLE ATTORNEY'S FEES IF A TAXPAYER PREVAILS IN THE ASSESSOR'S DENIAL OF AGRICULTURAL USE VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY AND A FINDING BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT THAT THE ASSESSOR'S ACTION WAS UNREASONABLE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THIS PROVISION APPLIES TO BOTH THE DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR AGRICULTURAL USE VALUE AND AN ACTION BY THE ASSESSOR TO REMOVE REAL PROPERTY FROM THAT STATUS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF EXPENSES PLUS ATTORNEY'S FEES, TO PROVIDE FOR THIS REIMBURSEMENT OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND EXPENSES AFTER THE TAXPAYER PREVAILS IN ANY FINAL APPEAL OF THE CONTESTED CASE, AND TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIRED FINDING THAT THE ASSESSOR'S DECISION WAS NOT REASONABLE.

01/17/08	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-4
01/17/08	House	Referred to Committee on Ways and Means HJ-4
04/17/08	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Ways and Means HJ-18
04/23/08	House	Amended HJ-81
04/23/08	House	Read second time HJ-83
04/24/08	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-4926
04/24/08	Senate	Introduced and read first time
04/24/08	Senate	Referred to Committee on Finance
05/28/08	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Finance SJ-16
06/03/08	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted SJ-43