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The House assembled at 10:00 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk, Jr., as follows:

Our thought for today is from Genesis 6:9: “Noah walked with God.”

Let us pray. Gracious God, give these Representatives and staff faith to hold them steady and sure when the floods in their lives threaten to overwhelm them. For those besieged with doubts, give them strength and hope for their lives. For Your blessings, we give You thanks. Provide for them every needful thing as they continue their duties started here. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker, staff, and all who labor in these Halls of Government. Protect our defenders of freedom, at home and abroad, as they protect us. Heal the wounds, those seen and those hidden, of our brave warriors. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE*.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* ordered it confirmed.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. G. M. SMITH moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Captain William "Pyro" Dubois, F-16 fighter pilot supporting Operation Inherent Freedom assigned to the 77th Fighter Squadron at Shaw Air Force Base, which was agreed to.

**SILENT PRAYER**

The House stood in silent prayer for Captain William "Pyro" Dubois.

**SILENT PRAYER**

The House stood in silent prayer for those who made the supreme sacrifice and for the veterans of Pearl Harbor.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

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| Alexander | Allison | Anderson |
| Anthony | Atwater | Bales |
| Ballentine | Bamberg | Bannister |
| Bedingfield | Bernstein | Bingham |
| Bowers | Bradley | Brannon |
| G. A. Brown | R. L. Brown | Burns |
| Clary | Clemmons | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Cole | Collins |
| Corley | H. A. Crawford | K. R. Crawford |
| Crosby | Daning | Delleney |
| Dillard | Douglas | Duckworth |
| Erickson | Felder | Finlay |
| Forrester | Gagnon | Gambrell |
| George | Gilliard | Goldfinch |
| Govan | Hamilton | Hardee |
| Hardwick | Hayes | Henderson |
| Henegan | Herbkersman | Hicks |
| Hill | Hiott | Hixon |
| Hodges | Horne | Hosey |
| Howard | Huggins | Jefferson |
| Johnson | Kennedy | King |
| Kirby | Knight | Long |
| Lowe | Lucas | Mack |
| McCoy | McEachern | McKnight |
| M. S. McLeod | W. J. McLeod | Merrill |
| Mitchell | D. C. Moss | V. S. Moss |
| Murphy | Nanney | Neal |
| Newton | Norman | Norrell |
| Ott | Parks | Pitts |
| Pope | Putnam | Ridgeway |
| Riley | Rivers | Robinson-Simpson |
| Ryhal | Sandifer | Simrill |
| G. M. Smith | G. R. Smith | J. E. Smith |
| Sottile | Southard | Spires |
| Stringer | Tallon | Taylor |
| Thayer | Tinkler | Weeks |
| Wells | Whipper | White |
| Whitmire | Williams | Willis |
| Yow |  |  |

**STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

I came in after the roll call and was present for the Session on Wednesday, December 3.

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| Bill Chumley | Laurie Funderburk |
| Dwight Loftis | Leon Stavrinakis |
| Chris Hart | Todd Rutherford |
| H. B. "Chip" Limehouse |  |

**Total Present--122**

**SPEAKER IN CHAIR**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. TOOLE a leave of absence for the day due to emergency family medical reasons.

**STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

The SPEAKER announced the following Standing Committee Appointments:

**AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

James Mikell “Mike” Burns William M. “Bill” Chumley

William E. “Bill” Crosby Chandra E. Dillard

Gregory D. Duckworth Kirkman Finlay III

Craig A. Gagnon Kevin Hardee

David R. Hiott William M. “Bill” Hixon

Kenneth F. Hodges Roger K. Kirby

Patsy G. Knight V. Stephen “Steve” Moss

Russell L. Ott Robert Shannon Riley

Edward L. Southard Robert Q. Williams

**EDUCATION AND PUBLIC WORKS**

Merita A. “Rita” Allison Jeffrey A. “Jeff” Bradley

Robert L. Brown Gary E. Clary

Neal A. Collins Joseph S. Daning

Raye Felder J. Wayne George

Jerry N. Govan, Jr. Jeffrey E. “Jeff” Johnson

John Richard C. King Harold Mitchell, Jr.

Joshua A. Putnam Samuel Rivers, Jr.

Tommy M. Stringer Bill Taylor

Don L. Wells Mark N. Willis

**JUDICIARY**

Bruce W. Bannister Beth E. Bernstein

Norman D. “Doug” Brannon Kristopher R. “Kris” Crawford

F. Gregory “Greg” Delleney, Jr. Laurie Slade Funderburk

Stephen Goldfinch, Jr. Donna C. Hicks

Jenny Anderson Horne Ralph Shealy Kennedy, Jr.

Peter M. McCoy, Jr. Joseph A. “Joe” McEachern

Walton J. McLeod III Dennis C. Moss

Christopher J. “Chris” Murphy Wendy K. Nanney

Wm. Weston J. Newton Mandy Powers Norrell

Rick Quinn J. Todd Rutherford

James E. Smith, Jr. Edward R. “Eddie” Tallon, Sr.

Anne J. Thayer J. David Weeks

J. Seth Whipper

**LABOR, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY**

Terry Alexander Carl L. Anderson

Todd K. Atwater Nathan Ballentine

Eric M. Bedingfield William K. “Bill” Bowers

Grady A. Brown Heather Ammons Crawford

P. Michael “Mike” Forrester Michael W. “Mike” Gambrell

Daniel P. “Dan” Hamilton Deborah A. Long

David J. Mack III Ralph W. Norman

Mike Ryhal William E. “Bill” Sandifer III

F. Michael “Mike” Sottile McLain R. “Mac” Toole

**MEDICAL, MILITARY, PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

Justin Bamberg Christopher A. Corley

MaryGail K. Douglas Wendell G. Gilliard

Christopher R. “Chris” Hart Phyllis Henderson

Patricia Moore “Pat” Henegan Jonathon D. Hill

Leon Howard Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.

Cezar E. McKnight Mia S. McLeod

J. Anne Parks Robert L. Ridgeway III

Leola C. Robinson-Simpson L. Kit Spires

Mary E. Tinkler Richard L. “Richie” Yow

**WAYS AND MEANS**

Michael A. “Mike” Anthony Jimmy C. Bales

Kenneth A. “Kenny” Bingham Alan D. Clemmons

William “Bill” Clyburn Gilda Cobb-Hunter

J. Derham Cole, Jr. Shannon Erickson

Nelson L. Hardwick Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes

William G. “Bill” Herbkersman Lonnie Hosey

Chip Huggins Harry B. “Chip” Limehouse III

Dwight A. Loftis Phillip D. Lowe

James H. Merrill Joseph H. “Joe” Neal

Michael A. Pitts J. Gary Simrill

G. Murrell Smith, Jr. Garry R. Smith

Leonidas E. “Leon” Stavrinakis W. Brian White

William R. “Bill” Whitmire

**RULES**

Michael A. “Mike” Anthony Todd K. Atwater

Grady A. Brown Alan D. Clemmons

Joseph S. Daning MaryGail K. Douglas

Jackie E. “Coach” Hayes William G. “Bill” Herbkersman

Dwight A. Loftis Joseph H. “Joe” Neal

F. Michael “Mike” Sottile L. Kit Spires

Edward R. “Eddie” Tallon, Sr. Anne J. Thayer

William R. “Bill” Whitmire

**INTERSTATE COOPERATION**

Kevin Hardee Patricia Moore “Pat” Henegan

Harold Mitchell, Jr. Mark N. Willis

Richard L. “Richie” Yow

**INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

Jimmy C. Bales Robert L. Brown

Joseph A. “Joe” McEachern Dennis C. Moss

Robert Shannon Riley

**LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT**

Nathan Ballentine William K. “Bill” Bowers

Gary E. Clary Kristopher R. “Kris” Crawford

Raye Felder Kirkman Finlay III

Laurie Slade Funderburk Phyllis Henderson

Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr. Mia S. McLeod

Walton J. McLeod III Wm. Weston J. Newton

Ralph W. Norman Joshua A. Putnam

Robert L. Ridgeway III Samuel Rivers, Jr.

James E. Smith, Jr. Tommy M. Stringer

Bill Taylor Robert Q. Williams

**REGULATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

Carl L. Anderson Eric M. Bedingfield

William M. “Bill” Chumley P. Michael “Mike” Forrester

J. Wayne George Wendell G. Gilliard

Lonnie Hosey Chip Huggins

Ralph Shealy Kennedy, Jr. Christopher J. “Chris” Murphy

Leola C. Robinson-Simpson Edward L. Southard

Don L. Wells

**COMMITTEES ELECTED BY**

**THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**ETHICS**

Beth E. Bernstein Kenneth A. “Kenny” Bingham

Chandra E. Dillard Michael W. “Mike” Gambrell

Jenny Anderson Horne John Richard C. King

Michael A. Pitts G. Murrell Smith, Jr.

Leonidas E. “Leon” Stavrinakis J. David Weeks

**OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT**

Justin Bamberg William E. “Bill” Crosby

Jerry N. Govan, Jr. Patsy G. Knight

Deborah A. Long Garry R. Smith

McLain R. "Mac" Toole J. Seth Whipper

**COMMITTEE OFFICERS**

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P.O. Box 11867

Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 The House Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee has organized and elected the following:

 Chairman - Rep. David R. Hiott

 First Vice-Chairman - Rep. V. Stephen Moss

 Second Vice-Chairman - Rep. Chandra E. Dillard

 Secretary - Rep. Russell L. Ott

Sincerely,

Joannie K. Nickel

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P.O. Box 11867

Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 The House Education and Public Works Committee met on December 3, 2014, for organizational purposes. At this meeting, the following were elected into leadership positions:

 Chairwoman - Rep. Merita A. “Rita” Allison

 First Vice Chairman - Rep. Raye Felder

 Second Vice Chairman - Rep. Robert L.Brown

Sincerely,

H. Pierce McNair, Jr.

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P.O. Box 11867

Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 The House Legislative Ethics Committee met on Tuesday, December 2, 2014, and elected the following officers listed below:

Chairman - Rep. Kenneth A. Bingham

Vice-Chairman - Rep. J.David Weeks

Secretary - Rep. Michael A. “Mike” Pitts

Sincerely,

Adam Anderson

December 3, 2014

Mr. Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P. O. Box 11867

Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Mr. Reid,

 The following officers were elected during the organizational meeting of the House Interstate Cooperation Committee:

 Chairman - Rep. Mark N. Willis

 First Vice-Chairman - Rep. Richard L. “Richie” Yow

 Second Vice-Chairman - Rep. Patricia Moore “Pat” Henegan

Sincerely,

Leah B. Dorman

December 3, 2014

Mr. Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P. O. Box 11867

Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 Below are the elected officials for the House Invitations Committee for the 2015-2016 Session:

 Chairman - Rep. Jimmy C. Bales

 First Vice-Chairman - Rep. Dennis C. Moss

 Second Vice - Chairman - Rep. Robert L. Brown

Sincerely,

Doris Taylor

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P.O. Box 11867

Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 Below are the elected officials for the House Judiciary Committee for the 2015-2016 Session:

 Chairman - Rep. F. Gregory “Greg” Delleney

 First Vice-Chairman - Rep. James E. Smith, Jr.

 Second Vice-Chairman - Rep. Christopher J. “Chris” Murphy

Sincerely,

Linda Anderson

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

PO Box 11867

Columbia SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 The House Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee met on Wednesday, December 3, 2014, and elected the following officers:

Chairman - Rep. William E. “Bill” Sandifer

First Vice-Chairman - Rep. Grady A. Brown

Second Vice-Chairman - Rep. F. Michael “Mike” Sottile

Sincerely,

Billie J. Schreck

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P.O. Box 11867

Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 3M Committee elected the following officers for the 2015 - 2016 Legislative Session during the organizational session:

 Chairman - Rep. Leon Howard

 First Vice Chairman - Rep. J. Anne Parks

 Second Vice Chairman - Rep. L. Kit Spires

 Third Vice Chairman - Rep. Wendell G. Gilliard

 Secretary - Rep. Phyllis Henderson

Sincerely,

Sherri Gibson Fears

December 3, 2014

Mr. Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P. O. Box 11867

Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Mr. Reid,

 The following officers were elected during the organizational meeting of the House Operations and Management Committee:

 Chairman - Rep. Garry R. Smith

 First Vice-Chairman - Rep. Jerry N. Govan, Jr.

 Second Vice-Chairman - Rep. McLain R. “Mac” Toole

 Secretary/Treasurer - Rep. Patsy G. Knight

Sincerely,

Leah B. Dorman

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

PO Box 11867

Columbia SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 The House Rules Committee met on Wednesday, December 3, 2014, and elected the following officers listed below:

Chairman - Rep. Alan D. Clemmons

Vice-Chairman - Rep. Dwight A. Loftis

Sincerely,

Adam Anderson

December 3, 2014

Charles F. Reid

Clerk of the House

P.O. Box 11867

Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Mr. Reid:

 Please allow this letter to serve as notice of the officers that were elected during a meeting of the Ways and Means Committee this morning.

 Chairman - Rep. W. Brian White

 First Vice-Chairman - Rep. Harry B. “Chip” Limehouse III

 Second Vice-Chairman - Rep. Michael A. Pitts

 Third Vice-Chairman - Rep. William “Bill” Clyburn

Sincerely,

W. Brian White

Rep. HOWARD moved that the House do now adjourn to next meet Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at 12:00 noon, which was agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:34 a.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. G. M. SMITH, adjourned in memory of Captain William "Pyro" Dubois, F-16 fighter pilot Supporting Operation Inherent Freedom assigned to the 77th Fighter Squadron at Shaw Air Force Base, to meet at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 13, 2015.

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