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S*1111 (Rat #0446, Act #0393 of 2000) General Bill, By Setzler, Hayes, Martin, Bryan, Anderson, Land, Washington, Short, Reese, Patterson, Matthews, Glover, Courson, Mescher, O'Dell and Rankin

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Summary: School districts; Teachers, Certification, Students, Middle grades, Reading, Attendance, Term of, Education, Loans

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-1-420, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE LENGTH OF THE SCHOOL TERM, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THESE SCHOOL DAYS MUST BE USED AND TO ADD ADDITIONAL DAYS TO THE SCHOOL TERM BEGINNING WITH SCHOOL YEAR 2001-2002 CONTINGENT ON FUNDING BEING PROVIDED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO ADD SECTION 59-5-75 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL REVIEW AND MAKE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO CRITERIA FOR REQUESTING OUT-OF-FIELD TEACHER PERMITS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER ESTABLISHING FOR PRINCIPALS A RECERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT THAT THEY COMPLETE TRAINING ON WAYS TO SUPPORT TEACHERS PROFESSIONALLY; TO ADD SECTION 59-5-85 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL REVIEW AND REFINE CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE DIMENSIONS IN THE STATE'S TEACHER EVALUATION PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL IMPLEMENT A PILOT PROGRAM TO DEVELOP PROCEDURES FOR INCLUDING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AS A COMPONENT OF THE TEACHER EVALUATION PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR THE TEACHER INDUCTION PROGRAM WHICH SHALL INCLUDE SUSTAINED LONG-TERM COACHING AND ASSISTANCE; TO ADD SECTION 59-5-95 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL APPOINT A PANEL TO REVIEW TEACHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMEND ANY ADDITIONAL TRAINING STANDARDS FOR MIDDLE GRADE TEACHER PREPARATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS IN REGARD TO MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES INCLUDING ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION FOR TEACHING IN THE MIDDLE GRADES, GRANTING STATE CERTIFICATION TO OUT-OF-STATE TEACHERS POSSESSING MIDDLE GRADE CERTIFICATION, APPOINTING A PANEL TO RECOMMEND TRAINING STANDARDS FOR MIDDLE GRADES PREPARATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES FOR MIDDLE GRADE PRINCIPALS, REVISING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEFINED PROGRAM FOR THE MIDDLE GRADES INCLUDING CONSIDERING REDUCING PUPIL-TEACHER RATIOS AND GUIDANCE COUNSELOR RATIOS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-5-135, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE GOVERNOR'S INSTITUTE OF READING UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PURPOSE OF THE INSTITUTE ALSO SHALL BE TO IMPROVE THE READING ABILITIES OF STUDENTS IN THE MIDDLE GRADES, AND TO ACCELERATE THE LEARNING OF STUDENTS READING BELOW GRADE LEVEL; TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN DEVELOPING CRITERIA FOR THE NEW ACCREDITATION SYSTEM UNDER THE EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY ACT SHALL CONSIDER INCLUDING THE FUNCTIONING OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCILS AND THE PARTICIPATION OF OTHER SCHOOL GROUPS; TO ADD SECTION 59-25-45 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT TEACHERS WORKING LESS THAN THIRTY HOURS A WEEK BUT MORE THAN FIFTEEN HOURS A WEEK SHALL QUALIFY FOR STATE HEALTH AND DENTAL INSURANCE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THE COST THEREOF SHALL BE PAID; TO AMEND SECTION 59-26-20, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN REGARD TO CERTAIN MATTERS INCLUDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LOAN PROGRAM DESIGNED TO DEVELOP QUALIFIED TEACHERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AREAS OF CRITICAL NEED ALSO SHALL INCLUDE CRITICAL GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH AND CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH LOANS SHALL BE GRANTED TO RECIPIENTS AND FOR THE REPAYMENT OF THESE LOANS BY RECIPIENTS; TO ADD SECTION 59-26-85 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT TEACHERS WHO ARE CERTIFIED BY THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS (NBPTS) SHALL BE EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN STATE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, SHALL RECEIVE A SPECIFIED INCREASE IN PAY, AND MAY BE REIMBURSED ON A LOAN AND FORGIVENESS BASIS FOR THE COST OF SUCH CERTIFICATION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IS DIRECTED TO REVIEW THE PURPOSES AND CERTIFICATION STANDARDS OF CERTAIN NATIONAL CERTIFYING ENTITIES AND MAKE A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1, 2000; TO ADD SECTION 59-26-90 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR AN HONORARIUM OF NO LESS THAN TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE STATE TEACHER OF THE YEAR, AN HONORARIUM OF NO LESS THAN TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE FOUR HONOR ROLL TEACHERS OF THE

YEAR, AN HONORARIUM OF NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR EACH LOCAL DISTRICT TEACHER OF THE YEAR; TO ADD SECTION 59-26-100 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL ESTABLISH A PROGRAM WHEREBY SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAY BE AWARDED FUNDS TO DEVELOP INCENTIVES FOR THOSE TEACHERS WHO ARE TRAINED TO AND SERVE AS MENTORS TO NEW TEACHERS; TO ADD SECTION 59-139-90 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SCHOOL AND DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLANS MUST INCLUDE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT AND METHODS USED FOR DATA COLLECTION TO SUPPORT THE EVALUATION OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT EFFORTS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL STUDY THE TRAINING, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND FUNDING OF PARA-PROFESSIONALS TO BETTER ENABLE SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS TO ORGANIZE TEACHER WORK DAYS TO REDUCE TEACHER NONINSTRUCTIONAL DUTIES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 9-1-1795, RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF RETIRED TEACHERS WITHOUT THE LOSS OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DATE BEFORE WHICH A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY NOT CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT OF SUCH A RETIRED TEACHER.-AMENDED TITLE

02/03/00	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-2
02/03/00	Senate	Referred to Committee on Education SJ-2
03/07/00	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education SJ-16
03/09/00	Senate	Amended SJ-29
03/09/00	Senate	Read second time SJ-29
03/09/00	Senate	Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-29
04/19/00	Senate	Amended SJ-21
04/19/00	Senate	Read third time and sent to House SJ-21
04/25/00	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-9
04/25/00	House	Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works HJ-12
05/04/00	House	Recalled from Committee on Education and Public Works HJ-47
05/17/00	House	Amended HJ-36
05/17/00	House	Read second time HJ-43
05/18/00	House	Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments HJ-11
05/25/00	Senate	House amendment amended SJ-7
05/25/00	Senate	Returned to House with amendments SJ-7
05/31/00	House	Non-concurrence in Senate amendment HJ-52
05/31/00	Senate	Senate insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Sens. Bryan, Hayes, Short SJ-190
05/31/00	House	Conference committee appointed Reps. Littlejohn, McMahand and Rodgers HJ-88
06/21/00	Senate	Free conference powers granted SJ-21
06/21/00	Senate	Free conference committee appointed Sens. Bryan, Hayes, Short SJ-21
06/21/00	Senate	Free conference report received and adopted SJ-21
06/21/00	House	Free conference powers granted HJ-29
06/21/00	House	Free conference committee appointed Reps. Littlejohn, McMahand and Rodgers HJ-33
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06/21/00	House	Ordered enrolled for ratification HJ-52
06/22/00		Ratified R 446
08/01/00		Signed By Governor
08/22/00		Effective date 08/01/00; see Act for exceptions
08/22/00		Copies available
08/22/00		Act No. 393