

## Session 121 - (2015-2016)

### H 4494 General Bill, By Rutherford

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**Summary:** Appointment of magistrates

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 2-19-115 SO AS TO REQUIRE A MAGISTRATE TO BE SCREENED BY THE JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION BEFORE HE MAY BE REAPPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, BY AND WITH THE CONSENT OF THE SENATE, IF THE MAGISTRATE HAS A PENDING COMPLAINT OR A COMPLAINT AGAINST THE MAGISTRATE WAS FILED WITHIN THE MAGISTRATE'S CURRENT TERM OF OFFICE AND THE COMPLAINT RESULTED IN A DISCIPLINARY ORDER; AND BY ADDING SECTION 2-19-118 SO AS TO REQUIRE A MUNICIPAL JUDGE TO BE SCREENED BY THE JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION BEFORE HE MAY BE REAPPOINTED BY THE APPROPRIATE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY IF HE HAS A PENDING COMPLAINT OR A COMPLAINT AGAINST HIM WAS FILED WITHIN HIS CURRENT TERM OF OFFICE AND THE COMPLAINT RESULTED IN A DISCIPLINARY ORDER.

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