

## Session 116 - (2005-2006)

### **H 4740 General Bill, By Ceips, E.H. Pitts, Harrison and Tally**

**Summary:** Floyd D. Spence Veterans and Overseas Electors Voting Rights Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ENACTING THE FLOYD D. SPENCE VETERANS AND OVERSEAS ELECTORS VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 2006, BY ADDING SECTION 7-15-465 SO AS TO ALLOW CERTAIN QUALIFIED ELECTORS LIVING OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO REGISTER TO VOTE, APPLY FOR A BALLOT, AND VOTE BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION AND PROVIDE THAT THE ELECTION COMMISSION MAY SEND AND RECEIVE VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS AND ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS AND ACCEPT BALLOTS FROM ELIGIBLE ELECTORS VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION; BY ADDING ARTICLES 9 AND 11 TO CHAPTER 15 OF TITLE 7 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF STATE AND FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS TO BE USED IN GENERAL, SPECIAL, PRIMARY, AND RUN-OFF ELECTIONS FOR LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL ELECTIONS, PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMITTAL OF THE BALLOTS, PROVIDE THAT THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS DETERMINING THE FORMAT OF THE STATE WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT, PROVIDE THE PROCEDURE FOR FILLING OUT A WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT, PROVIDE CERTAIN PEOPLE WHO MAY ADMINISTER OATHS, AND PROVIDE FOR REPORTING OF THE NUMBER OF THESE BALLOTS SENT OUT AND RECEIVED; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 7-15-460 RELATING TO THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF CERTAIN APPLICATIONS AND BALLOTS IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY.

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