

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

**H 4749 General Bill, By Pope, Edgerton, Magnuson, White, Cromer and D. Mitchell**

***Similar (S 0172, H 3582)***

**Summary:** FORUM Act of 2026

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "FORMING OPEN AND ROBUST UNIVERSITY MINDS (FORUM) ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 148 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO PROVIDE MEASURES TO PROTECT EXPRESSIONS BY STUDENTS AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS IN CERTAIN PLACES ON THE CAMPUSES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THIS STATE, TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, AND TO PROVIDE MEANS OF REDRESS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

<b>12/16/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Prefiled</b>
<b>12/16/25</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works</b>
<b>01/13/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 77)</b>
<b>01/13/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 77)</b>
<b>01/14/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: White</b>
<b>01/22/26</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Cromer, D.Mitchell</b>