

Session 125 - (2023-2024)

H 4935 General Bill, By Bustos, Leber, Hartnett, Landing, Pace, Burns, Haddon, White, Chumley, A.M. Morgan, T.A. Morgan, May, Kilmartin, S. Jones, Wooten, Harris and Magnuson

Summary: SAVE Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SECURE, ACCURATE, AND VERIFIABLE ELECTIONS ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 7-5-200 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE USE OF PAPER POLL BOOKS ONLY AT VOTING LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE; BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-870 SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT ALL VOTES CAST IN A STATEWIDE PRIMARY, GENERAL, OR SPECIAL ELECTION BE ON HAND-MARKED, PAPER BALLOTS AND PRINTED ON SECURE PAPER, AND TO REQUIRE THAT ALL BALLOTS BE COUNTED IN VIEW OF THE PUBLIC; BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-880 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE USE OF CHAIN OF CUSTODY DOCUMENTATION FOR ALL ELECTION-RELATED MATERIALS AND THE MAINTENANCE OF CHAIN OF CUSTODY RECORDS FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME AFTER AN ELECTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 7-15-320, RELATING TO PERSONS QUALIFIED TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO EARLY VOTING, AND TO DELETE THE PROVISION ALLOWING PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 53-5-10, RELATING TO THE ENUMERATION OF LEGAL HOLIDAYS, SO AS TO ESTABLISH GENERAL ELECTION DAY AS A STATE HOLIDAY.

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01/25/24 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Pace, Burns, Haddon, White, Chumley, A.M.Morgan, T.A.Morgan, May, Kilmartin, S.Jones

03/05/24 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Wooten

03/11/24 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Harris

03/21/24 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Magnuson