

## Session 116 - (2005-2006)

**H\*3347 (Rat #0072, Act #0063 of 2005) General Bill, By Scott, Cato, Tripp, J. Hines, Hosey, M. Hines, Vaughn, Bales, Battle, Branham, Breeland, R.L. Brown, Davenport, Hamilton, Haskins, Jennings, Leach, Loftis, Miller, Rhoad, Rivers and G.R. Smith**

**Summary:** State Election Commission to adopt one voting system to be used to conduct elections

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-1655 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION SHALL APPROVE AND ADOPT ONE VOTING SYSTEM OR MULTIPLE VOTING SYSTEMS IF IT DOES NOT APPROVE AND ADOPT ONE VOTING SYSTEM TO BE USED TO CONDUCT ELECTIONS IN THIS STATE, TO DEFINE "VOTING SYSTEM", AND TO PROVIDE THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSION REGARDING THE VOTING SYSTEM ADOPTED; TO AMEND SECTION 7-13-1320, RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT AND USE OF VOTE RECORDERS, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF AN "OPTICAL SCAN VOTING SYSTEM" INSTEAD OF "VOTE RECORDERS" FOR USE IN ABSENTEE PRECINCTS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 7-13-1330 AND 7-13-1620, BOTH AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE VOTING MACHINE APPROVAL PROCESS, SO AS TO CHANGE REFERENCES TO AN "OPTICAL SCAN VOTING SYSTEM" AND DELETE REFERENCES TO A SYSTEM BEING APPROVED BY AN INDEPENDENT TESTING AUTHORITY AND TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR REPORTING DECERTIFICATION BY A VENDER WHO HAS BEEN APPROVED OR IS SEEKING APPROVAL WHEN HE HAS COMMITTED ETHICAL OR TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS IN ANOTHER STATE; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 7-13-1310 RELATING TO THE USE OF VOTE RECORDERS, AND SECTION 7-13-1660 RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION AND USE OF APPROVED VOTING MACHINES BY A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY. - ratified title

01/25/05	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-8
01/25/05	House	Referred to Committee on Judiciary HJ-8
03/02/05	House	Recalled from Committee on Judiciary HJ-15
03/03/05	House	Read second time HJ-27
03/03/05	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day HJ-28
03/04/05	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-2
03/08/05	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-12
03/08/05	Senate	Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-12
04/13/05	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary SJ-19
04/18/05	Senate	Amended SJ-41
04/19/05		Scrivener's error corrected
04/28/05	Senate	Amended SJ-26
04/28/05	Senate	Read second time SJ-26
04/29/05		Scrivener's error corrected
05/04/05	Senate	Amended SJ-16
05/04/05	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-16
05/05/05	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-38
05/11/05		Ratified R 72
05/16/05		Signed By Governor
05/18/05		Copies available
05/18/05		Effective date 05/16/05
05/25/05		Act No. 63