

## Session 119 - (2011-2012)

**H 5081 General Bill, By Harrell, Bingham, Lowe, Allison, Tallon, Horne, Patrick, Daning, Long, Brady, Bedingfield, J.R. Smith, G.R. Smith, Murphy, Crosby, Putnam, Parker, Brannon, Hardwick, Bannister, Clemmons, Hamilton, Harrison, Henderson, Hixon, D.C. Moss, Owens, Pinson, Pitts, Sandifer, Simrill, Taylor, Toole, Tribble, White and Young**

**Summary:** First in the South Presidential Primary Preservation and Protection Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA FIRST IN THE SOUTH PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 7-11-22 SO AS TO REQUIRE A PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION IN THIS STATE MUST BE HELD BEFORE THAT OF ANOTHER SOUTHERN STATE, SUBJECT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARTY HOLDING THE ELECTION, TO DEFINE THE TERM "SOUTHERN STATE", AND TO STATE THE PURPOSE OF THE STATUTE IS TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE TRADITION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA "FIRST IN THE SOUTH" PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION.

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