**Tuesday, February 4, 2014**

**(Statewide Session)**

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## Indicates New Matter

 The Senate assembled at 12:00 Noon, the hour to which it stood adjourned, and was called to order by the PRESIDENT.

 A quorum being present, the proceedings were opened with a devotion by the Chaplain as follows:

The Psalmist declares:

 “How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!”

 (Psalm 133:1)

 Please, pray with me:

 Holy God, how tragic so much of life often turns out to be. Though we indeed are to live as one, in unity, again and again events remind us how far we sisters and brothers are from being the children You call us to be. The recent shooting on the South Carolina State campus brings us up short; similar tragedies across our counties also shock and wound our collective spirit. Dear Lord, embrace all of the citizens of our State in Your loving arms. Hold us tightly. Keep our children and our friends safe. Lead this Senate to do all that it can to promote an atmosphere wherein we all indeed are “one.” In Your loving name we pray this, O Lord. Amen.

 The PRESIDENT called for Petitions, Memorials, Presentments of Grand Juries and such like papers.

**Rule 1C**

 Under the provisions of Rule 1C, Senator COURSON declared the Senate adjourned on January 28, 29 and 30, 2014, due to severe winter weather in the State.

**Leave of Absence**

 On motion of Senator BRYANT, at 12:05 P.M., Senator VERDIN was granted a leave of absence for today.

**Leave of Absence**

 On motion of Senator McGILL, at 12:05 P.M., Senator WILLIAMS was granted a leave of absence for today.

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following appointments were transmitted by the Honorable Nikki Randhawa Haley:

**Statewide Appointments**

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Board of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services, with the term to commence March 15, 2013, and to expire March 15, 2019

1st Congressional District:

 Michael Calder Bolchoz, 255 Belfast Rd., Charleston, SC 29407 *VICE* Orton Bellamy

Referred to the Committee on Corrections and Penology.

Reappointment, South Carolina Foster Care Review Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2012, and to expire June 30, 2016

5th Congressional District:

Martha W. Brock, 154 Hidden Acres, Gaffney, SC 29341

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Reappointment, South Carolina Public Charter School District Board of Trustees, with the term to commence July 1, 2014, and to expire July 1, 2017

South Carolina Association of Public School Administrators:

 Betty T. Bagley, 104 McPhail Farms Circle, Anderson, SC 29621

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Public Charter School District Board of Trustees, with the term to commence July 1, 2011, and to expire July 1, 2014

South Carolina Association of Public School Administrators:

 Betty T. Bagley, 104 McPhail Farms Circle, Anderson, SC 29621 *VICE* Thomas Siler

Referred to the Committee on Education.

**Local Appointment**

Initial Appointment, Spartanburg County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2011, and to expire April 30, 2015

Teresa Ledbetter, 1145 Edward Road, Inman, SC 29349

**REGULATIONS RECEIVED**

 The following were received and referred to the appropriate committees for consideration:

Document No. 4426

Agency: Real Estate Appraisers Board

Chapter: 137

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40-1-70 and 40-60-10(I)(3)

SUBJECT: Real Estate Appraisers Board

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 23, 2014

Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 23, 2014

Document No. 4427

Agency: Attorney General

Chapter: 13

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 11-48-10 et seq.

SUBJECT: Tobacco Enforcement

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 27, 2014

Referred to Finance Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 27, 2014

Document No. 4435

Agency: Building Codes Council

Chapter: 8

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 6-9-40 and 6-9-63(E)

SUBJECT: IRC Section R312.2 Window Fall Protection

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 23, 2014

Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 23, 2014

Document No. 4436

Agency: Board of Registration for Foresters

Chapter: 53

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40-1-70 and 48-27-80

SUBJECT: Board of Registration for Foresters

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 23, 2014

Referred to Fish, Game and Forestry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 23, 2014

Document No. 4437

Agency: Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

Chapter: 10

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40-1-50 and 40-1-70

SUBJECT: Establish and Amend Schedules of Fees for Certain Professional and Occupational Licensing Boards and Commissions

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 23, 2014

Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 23, 2014

Document No. 4438

Agency: Manufactured Housing Board

Chapter: 79

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40-1-70 and 40-29-200(B)(1)

SUBJECT: Financial Responsibility

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 23, 2014

Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 23, 2014

Document No. 4439

Agency: Board of Examiners in Psychology

Chapter: 100

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40-1-70 and 40-55-40(d)

SUBJECT: Requirements of Licensure in the Practice of Psychology

Received by Lieutenant Governor January 23, 2014

Referred to Medical Affairs Committee

Legislative Review Expiration May 23, 2014

Document No. 4445

Agency: Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation - Office of State Fire Marshal

Chapter: 71

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 23-9-40, 23-9-60, 23-9-550, 23-35-45, and 23-36-80

SUBJECT: Office of State Fire Marshal

Received by Lieutenant Governor February 4, 2014

Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration June 4, 2014

Document No. 4446

Agency: Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation - Office of Occupational Safety and Health

Chapter: 71

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 41-3-40 and 41-15-210

SUBJECT: Enforcement of Violations

Received by Lieutenant Governor February 4, 2014

Referred to Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

Legislative Review Expiration June 4, 2014

Document No. 4447

Agency: Board of Nursing

Chapter: 91

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40-1-70, 40-33-10(E) and (I), and 40-33-70

SUBJECT: Code of Ethics

Received by Lieutenant Governor February 4, 2014

Referred to Medical Affairs Committee

Legislative Review Expiration June 4, 2014

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator CLEARY rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

The following co-sponsors were added to the respective Bills:

S. 19 Sen. Shealy

S. 901 Sen. Young

S. 905 Sens. Shane Martin, Bright

S. 266 Sen. Bennett

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

 The following were introduced:

 S. 977 -- Senator Lourie: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE COMPLEX AND DEVASTATING NATURE OF EATING-DISORDER ILLNESSES AND THE NEGATIVE IMPACT THEY HAVE ON INDIVIDUALS AFFECTED BY THEM, ON THEIR FAMILIES, AND ON THE GENERAL WELFARE OF OUR STATE; TO COMMEND ALL PROFESSIONALS WHO PROVIDE EATING-DISORDER CARE, PARTICULARLY THE EXCELLENT WORK IN TREATING EATING DISORDERS BY THE HEARTH CENTER FOR EATING DISORDERS IN RICHLAND COUNTY; TO SUPPORT NATIONAL EATING DISORDERS AWARENESS WEEK; AND TO DECLARE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2014, "EATING DISORDER AWARENESS DAY" IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 978 -- Senator Nicholson: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE THE NINETY SIX HIGH SCHOOL WILDCAT MARCHING BAND ON AN OUTSTANDING YEAR AND FOR CAPTURING THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAND DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION CLASS A STATE MARCHING BAND CHAMPIONSHIP FOR 2013.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 979 -- Senator Shealy: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ANDREW D. MCVEIGH OF LEXINGTON ON THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS DOUBLE LUNG TRANSPLANT AND TO ENCOURAGE HIM IN HIS ONGOING FIGHT AGAINST PULMONARY FIBROSIS.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 980 -- Senator Campsen: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE MR. JOHN ASBURY ZEIGLER, JR. OF CHARLESTON ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 102ND BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 981 -- Senator Hutto: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THOMAS R. RIVERS FOR HIS LONG AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF BARNWELL COUNTY AND TO COMMEND HIM FOR TWENTY YEARS OF SELFLESS DEDICATION AS MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF WILLISTON.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 982 -- Senator Setzler: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE CLOVER HOLLY GATLING WOLF OF LEXINGTON COUNTY, ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY, AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 983 -- Senator Hutto: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 1-1-617 SO AS TO DESIGNATE MARCH OF EACH YEAR AS "ENDOMETRIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH".

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Medical Affairs.

 S. 984 -- Senators Hembree, Turner, Shealy, Young, Thurmond and Bennett: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-53-30 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PARALLEL PROGRAMS, TO PROVIDE THAT UPON REQUEST AND JUSTIFICATION AND WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION MAY AUTHORIZE AN INSTITUTION WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION TO OFFER TWO-YEAR AND THREE-YEAR COLLEGE PARALLEL PROGRAMS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-53-50, RELATING TO POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD, TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS OF FEDERAL AID TO PUBLIC, POST-SECONDARY, TWO-YEAR AND THREE-YEAR INSTITUTIONS, AND TO THE STUDENTS THEREIN.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

 S. 985 -- Senator Cleary: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 6 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 6, TO ENACT THE "FAIRNESS IN LODGING ACT" SO AS TO ALLOW MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES BY ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS FOR THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX AND THE LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX AS THOSE PROVISIONS APPLY TO THE OWNERS OF RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY WHO RENT THE PROPERTY TO TOURISTS, INCLUDING DATA SHARING WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, SPECIFIC NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS INCLUDED IN PROPERTY TAX BILLS, AN ADDITIONAL PENALTY THAT MAY BE IMPOSED FOR NONCOMPLIANCE AFTER THE RECEIPT OF SUCH A NOTICE, AND DIRECTIONS TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO IDENTIFY "RENTAL BY OWNER" WEBSITES ADVERTISING TOURISTS RENTALS AND REQUEST THEM TO POST ON THE WEBSITES A STATEMENT REGARDING THE LEGAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE OWNERS OF PROPERTY IN THIS STATE LISTED ON THE WEBSITE, TO PAY ALL APPLICABLE LOCAL AND STATE TAXES AND FEES WITH RESPECT TO SUCH RENTALS; AND TO AMEND SECTIONS 6-1-120, 12-54-240, AS AMENDED, AND 12-4-310, RELATING RESPECTIVELY TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF LOCAL AND STATE TAX DATA AND EXCEPTIONS THERETO, AND THE DUTIES OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, SO AS TO CONFORM THEM TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

 S. 986 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50-1-90 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO HUNTING, FISHING, OR TRAPPING WITHOUT CONSENT ON THE LAND OF OTHERS, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR THESE OFFENSES.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry.

 S. 987 -- Senator S. Martin: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-490, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF PRECINCTS IN SPARTANBURG COUNTY, SO AS TO CHANGE THE NAMES OF THREE PRECINCTS AND TO REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE NAMES OF THESE PRECINCTS MAY BE FOUND AND MAINTAINED BY THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND STATISTICS OF THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 988 -- Senator Cromer: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 27-2-105, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DUTIES OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA GEODETIC SURVEY (SCGS) WITH RESPECT TO DETERMINING COUNTY BOUNDARIES, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE SCGS TO CLARIFY COUNTY BOUNDARIES AND MEDIATE BOUNDARY DISPUTES BETWEEN COUNTIES BY PROVIDING A PROCEDURE ALLOWING THE SCGS ADMINISTRATIVELY TO ADJUST COUNTY BOUNDARIES, TO PROVIDE THE PROCEDURES INCLUDING NOTICE THAT SCGS MUST FOLLOW IN MAKING SUCH ADJUSTMENTS, TO PROVIDE THAT AFFECTED PARTIES MAY APPEAL THESE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT IN A DE NOVO HEARING, TO PROVIDE THE METHOD OF DETERMINING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THESE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS AND THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR THESE ADJUSTMENTS TO BE EFFECTIVE AND TO PROVIDE THAT NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS RESTRICTS THE AUTHORITY OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENT TO ADJUST OR OTHERWISE CLARIFY COUNTY BOUNDARIES BY LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENT.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 989 -- Senator Nicholson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-290, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN GREENWOOD COUNTY, SO AS TO REVISE BOUNDARIES OF EXISTING PRECINCTS AND TO DESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE BOUNDARIES OF GREENWOOD COUNTY VOTING PRECINCTS AS REVISED BY THIS ACT MAY BE FOUND, AND MAINTAINED BY THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND STATISTICS OF THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 990 -- Senator Bryant: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 9, TITLE 4 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT, TO PROVIDE THAT THE COUNCIL MAY CALL FOR A REFERENDUM ON THE QUESTION TO GIVE THE COUNCIL THE AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH POSITIONS, AS PRESCRIBED IN ORDINANCE, THAT WILL REPORT DIRECTLY TO AND SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE COUNCIL.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

 S. 991 -- Senator Bennett: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS CONCERNING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION BOARD, SO AS TO REVISE AND ADD DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-90, RELATING TO BOARD INVESTIGATIONS OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST LICENSEES, SO AS TO CHANGE THE MANNER IN WHICH AN INITIAL COMPLAINT MAY BE REFERRED TO AN INVESTIGATOR; TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-95, RELATING TO REFERRALS OF VIOLATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION TO THE BOARD, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD WITH RESPECT TO REPORTS OF CERTAIN VIOLATIONS THAT DO NOT ALLEGE UNLICENSED PRACTICE; TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-230, RELATING TO LICENSEES, SO AS TO ELIMINATE A PROVISION THAT ENABLES CERTAIN LICENSEES FROM OBTAINING CLASS "A" OR CLASS "B" WELL DRILLER LICENSES WHEN MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA; TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-300, RELATING TO CERTIFICATION CLASSES OF WATER TREATMENT OPERATORS, SO AS TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR TRAINEE WATER OPERATORS AND CLASS "E" WATER TREATMENT OPERATORS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-310, RELATING TO WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPERATOR LICENSES, SO AS TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR TRAINEE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPERATOR AND A CLASS "D" WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPERATOR; TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-320, RELATING TO LICENSURE AS A CLASS "C" ENVIRONMENTAL, COASTAL, OR ROCK WELL DRILLER, SO AS TO REPLACE THE REQUIREMENT OF HAVING AT LEAST ONE YEAR OF EXPERIENCE AS AN APPRENTICE WITH AT LEAST ONE YEAR OF EXPERIENCE AS A CLASS "D" WELL DRILLER; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-23-340, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON WELL DRILLERS ACCORDING TO CLASSIFICATION OF THE WELL DRILLER, SO AS TO REVISE RESTRICTIONS ON CLASS "D" AND CLASS "C" WELL DRILLERS.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry.

 S. 992 -- Senator Malloy: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-17-180 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF A SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS IN ITS UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF ITS OPERATING BUDGET, THEN THE COUNTY AUDITOR MUST GRANT EACH TAXPAYER PAYING SCHOOL OPERATING TAXES A NONREFUNDABLE SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX CREDIT EQUAL TO THE TAXPAYER'S PRO RATA SHARE OF THE EXCESS.

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 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

 H. 4385 -- Rep. Parks: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 178 IN GREENWOOD COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH "MAYS CROSSROADS" TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 25 "DR. BENJAMIN E. MAYS HIGHWAY", AND THAT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS BE ERECTED ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "DR. BENJAMIN E. MAYS HIGHWAY".

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 4394 -- Rep. Allison: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ERECT APPROPRIATE DEDICATION SIGNS AT THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 14 AND INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 85 IN GREENVILLE COUNTY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "GIBBS CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE-PELHAM", AND ERECT APPROPRIATE DEDICATION SIGNS AT THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS 585 AND 85 IN SPARTANBURG COUNTY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "GIBBS CANCER CENTER & RESEARCH INSTITUTE".

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 4395 -- Rep. Bales: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION LOCATED AT THE JUNCTURE OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 601 AND REYNOLDS ROAD IN THE TOWN OF EASTOVER IN HONOR OF ELIZABETH WORKMAN DEVEAUX, AND ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS OR MARKERS AT THIS INTERSECTION THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "ELIZABETH WORKMAN DEVEAUX INTERSECTION".

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 4441 -- Rep. Bannister: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 521 IN GEORGETOWN COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH BRICK CHIMNEY ROAD TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH DISHER STREET "LARRY HOLLIDAY MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "LARRY HOLLIDAY MEMORIAL HIGHWAY".

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 4484 -- Reps. Hodges, R. L. Brown and Knight: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION LOCATED AT THE JUNCTURE OF AUGUSTA HIGHWAY (SC 61) AND SIDNEY'S ROAD (S-21) IN COLLETON COUNTY "GRUBER'S CROSSROADS", AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS INTERSECTION THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "GRUBER'S CROSSROADS".

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 4506 -- Reps. Gagnon, Gambrell and Putnam: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 187 IN ANDERSON COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 29 TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 181 "PAUL ROBISON EARLE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY", AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "PAUL ROBISON EARLE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY".

 The Concurrent Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

 H. 4541 -- Rep. Barfield: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50-13-325, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE TAKING OF CERTAIN NONGAME FISH IN GILL NETS AND SHAD NETS, SO AS TO REVISE THE RESTRICTIONS PLACED ON SETTING NETS ALONG THE LITTLE PEE DEE RIVER UPSTREAM OF PUNCH BOWL LANDING.

 Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry.

 H. 4558 -- Rep. Bedingfield: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE FORK SHOALS HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR ITS VITAL ROLE IN PRESERVING THE HISTORY OF SOUTHERN GREENVILLE COUNTY.

 The Concurrent Resolution was adopted, ordered sent to the House.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Invitations Accepted**

Tuesday, February 4, 2014 - 1:00 - 2:30 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Luncheon, Capital City Club, by the SC ARTS ALLIANCE

Tuesday, February 4, 2014 - 6:00 -8:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Reception, The Clarion, by the SC JUDGES ASSOCIATION

Tuesday, February 4, 2014 - 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Reception, Stone River, by the SC BEER WHOLESALERS ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, February 5, 2014 - 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the FOUNDATION FOR THE SC COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

Wednesday, February 5, 2014 - 12:00 - 2:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the SOUTH CAROLINA APARTMENT ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, February 5, 2014 - 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Reception, The Marriott, by the MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Wednesday, February 5, 2014 - 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, by the COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON

Thursday, February 6, 2014 - 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the SC CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL COLLABORATIVE

Tuesday, February 18, 2014 - 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Reception, The Clarion, by the THE CLARION OYSTER ROAST

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 - 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the SC ASSOCIATION OF PROBATE JUDGES

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 - 12:00 - 2:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 - 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Reception, Embassy Suites Hotel, by the SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 - 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Reception, The Hilton, by the ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS OF THE CAROLINAS

Thursday, February 20, 2014 - 8:00 -10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the SC ACADEMY OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

Tuesday, February 25, 2014 - 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Reception, Columbia Convention Center, by the ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Tuesday, February 25, 2014 - 7:00 - 9:30 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Reception, Seawell’s, by the SC ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 - 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the SOUTH CAROLINA NURSERY AND LANDSCAPE ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 - 12:00 - 2:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Luncheon, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the SC ATHLETIC TRAINERS ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 - 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Reception, 701 Whaley, by the CITY OF COLUMBIA

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 - 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Members of the Senate, Reception, The Clarion, by the SC ASSOCIATION OF TECHNICAL COLLEGE COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, February 27, 2014 - 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Members of the Senate and Staff, Breakfast, Room 112, Blatt Building, by the ASSOCIATION OF COSMETOLOGY SALON PROFESSIONALS

Senator BRYANT from the Committee on Invitations polled out S. 943 favorable:

S. 943 -- Senator Bryant: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO INVITE THE NATIONAL COMMANDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, THE HONORABLE DAN DELLINGER, TO ADDRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION IN THE CHAMBER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT 12:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014.

**Poll of the Invitations Committee**

**Polled 11; Ayes 11; Nays 0; Not Voting 0**

**AYES**

Bryant Alexander McGill

Reese Verdin Campsen

Cromer Malloy Cleary

Johnson Kimpson

**Total--11**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator BRYANT from the Committee on Invitations polled out S. 950 favorable:

 S. 950 -- Senators Bright, Bryant, Verdin and S. Martin: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 10, 2014, AS THE SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADDITION OF THE WORDS “UNDER GOD” TO THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE OF THE UNITED STATES.

**Poll of the Invitations Committee**

**Polled 11; Ayes 11; Nays 0; Not Voting 0**

**AYES**

Bryant Alexander McGill

Reese Verdin Campsen

Cromer Malloy Cleary

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**Total--11**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**Message from the House**

Columbia, S.C., January 23, 2014

Mr. President and Senators:

 The House respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it concurs in the amendments proposed by the Senate to:

 S. 308 -- Senators Bennett, Shealy, Grooms, Hembree, L. Martin, Massey, Campbell, Turner, Thurmond, Bryant, Verdin, S. Martin, Davis, Bright, Corbin, Campsen, Fair and Cromer: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16‑23‑465 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE CARRYING OF A CONCEALED WEAPON IN A BUSINESS THAT SELLS ALCOHOL TO BE CONSUMED ON THE PREMISES, TO PERMIT THE POSSESSION OF A WEAPON UNLESS NOTICE OF A PROHIBITION IS PROVIDED BY THE BUSINESS, TO PROHIBIT THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A BUSINESS BY SOMEONE CARRYING A FIREARM, AND TO REDUCE THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.

and has ordered the Bill enrolled for Ratification.

Very respectfully,

Speaker of the House

 Received as information.

**Message from the House**

Columbia, S.C., January 23, 2014

Mr. President and Senators:

 The House respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it has sustained the veto by the Governor on R.94, H. 3342 by a vote of 39 to 67:

 (R94, H3342) -- Reps. Hart and King: AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 17‑15‑175 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AFTER AN INITIAL APPEARANCE, A CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE MAY NOT ISSUE A BENCH WARRANT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR UPON MOTION BY A SOLICITOR UNLESS THE SOLICITOR HAS POSTED CERTAIN NOTICE BEFORE THE BENCH WARRANT IS ISSUED AND TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION.

Very respectfully,

Speaker of the House

 Received as information.

**HOUSE CONCURRENCE**

 S. 972 -- Senator Williams: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE DIANE SKIPPER LEWIS OF HORRY COUNTY ON BEING NAMED 2014 HORRY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE RURAL LADY OF THE YEAR.

 Returned with concurrence.

 Received as information.

**THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO A CALL OF THE UNCONTESTED LOCAL AND STATEWIDE CALENDAR.**

**SECOND READING BILL**

 The following Bill, having been read the second time, was ordered placed on the Third Reading Calendar:

 S. 921 -- Senator Leatherman: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 250 OF 1991, RELATING TO THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 5, SO AS TO ONLY REQUIRE A MEETING OF THE CITIZENS IF THE PROPOSED BUDGET REQUIRES A MILLAGE INCREASE.

**CARRIED OVER**

 H. 3459 -- Reps. Sandifer, Bales, J.E. Smith and Erickson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40‑2‑10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION SHALL DESIGNATE CERTAIN PERSONNEL FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE BOARD, TO PROHIBIT THE DEPARTMENT FROM ASSIGNING OTHER WORK TO THESE PERSONNEL WITHOUT APPROVAL OF THE BOARD, AND TO PROVIDE THESE PERSONNEL MAY BE TERMINATED BY THE DIRECTOR OF A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 40‑2‑30, RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF ACCOUNTANCY, SO AS TO PROVIDE A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT LICENSED BY THE BOARD IS EXEMPT FROM LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS OF PRIVATE SECURITY AND INVESTIGATION AGENCIES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40‑2‑70, RELATING TO POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE BOARD MAY CONDUCT PERIODIC INSPECTIONS OF LICENSEES OR FIRMS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40‑2‑80, RELATING TO INVESTIGATIONS OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DIRECT THE INVESTIGATOR ASSIGNED TO THE BOARD TO INVESTIGATE AN ALLEGED VIOLATION TO DETERMINE THE EXISTENCE OF PROBABLE CAUSE MERITING FURTHER PROCEEDINGS.

 On motion of Senator MALLOY, the Bill was carried over.

**RECOMMITTED**

 S. 423 -- Senators Campbell, Bennett and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 61‑4‑1515, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SAMPLES AND SALES OF BEER AT BREWERIES, SO AS TO SPECIFY THAT FOURTEEN PERCENT ALCOHOL BY WEIGHT IS THE MAXIMUM THAT MAY BE OFFERED FOR ON‑PREMISES CONSUMPTION, TO ALLOW FOR THE SALE OF SIXTY‑FOUR OUNCES OF BEER TO A CONSUMER EVERY TWENTY‑FOUR HOURS, TO PROVIDE THE BEER MUST BE SOLD AT THE APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICE, TO PROVIDE THAT APPROPRIATE TAXES MUST BE REMITTED, AND TO CLARIFY THAT A CERTAIN PROVISION APPLIES TO OFF‑PREMISES CONSUMPTION.

 Senator BENNETT asked unanimous consent to recommit the Bill to the Committee on Judiciary.

 There was no objection.

 The Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

**AMENDED, ADOPTED**

 S. 914 -- Senators Peeler, Alexander, Hayes and McGill: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO FIX WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2014, AT NOON, AS THE DATE AND TIME FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE TO MEET IN JOINT SESSION IN THE HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CITADEL, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY, COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON, FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY, LANDER UNIVERSITY, MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, WINTHROP UNIVERSITY, AND WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL TO SUCCEED THOSE MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2014, OR WHOSE POSITIONS OTHERWISE MUST BE FILLED; AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE REGARDING NOMINATIONS AND SECONDING SPEECHES FOR THE CANDIDATES FOR THESE OFFICES DURING THE JOINT SESSION.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Concurrent Resolution, the question being the adoption of the Resolution.

 Senator O’DELL proposed the following amendment (NL\914C001.NL.SD14), which was adopted:

 Amend the concurrent resolution, as and if amended, page 2, after line 7 by adding an new paragraph to read:

 / Be it further resolved that immediately following the election of school trustees, as provided for above in this concurrent resolution, the Senate and House of Representatives shall continue in joint session for the purpose of electing members of the Commission of Consumer Affairs whose terms expire in 2014 or whose positions otherwise are to be filled. /

 Renumber sections to conform.

 Amend title to conform.

 Senator O’DELL explained the amendment.

 There being no further amendments, the Concurrent Resolution was adopted and ordered sent to the House with amendments.

**ADOPTED**

 S. 816 -- Senators L. Martin, Campsen, Malloy, Peeler, Alexander, McGill and Hayes: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO FIX NOON ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2014, AS THE TIME TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT, CHIEF JUSTICE, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JULY 31, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 11, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 12, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE, SEAT 13, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM THAT EXPIRES JUNE 30, 2019; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 5, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 5, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014, AND TO FILL THE SUBSEQUENT FULL TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2020; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF FAMILY COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF FAMILY COURT, SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO THE JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; AND AS THE DATE TO MEET IN JOINT SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY, AT‑LARGE SEAT NINE, WHOSE TERM EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2016, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, WHOSE TERM EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2017, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING TWO MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE OLD EXCHANGE BUILDING COMMISSION, AT‑LARGE SEATS, WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2018.

 The Concurrent Resolution was adopted, ordered sent to the House.

**ADOPTED**

 H. 4355 -- Reps. Clemmons, Mack, Bannister, Whitmire, Henderson and McCoy: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO FIX NOON ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2014, AS THE TIME TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT, CHIEF JUSTICE, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JULY 31, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE SEAT 11, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE SEAT 12, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, AT‑LARGE SEAT 13, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM THAT EXPIRES JUNE 30, 2019; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 5, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 5, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014, AND TO FILL THE SUBSEQUENT FULL TERM WHICH WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2020; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 2, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO THE FAMILY COURT, FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 3, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO A CERTAIN JUDGE OF THE FAMILY COURT, SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2016, AND THE SUCCESSOR WILL FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THAT OFFICE; TO ELECT A SUCCESSOR TO THE JUDGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE, SEAT 1, WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2014; AND AS THE DATE TO MEET IN JOINT SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY, AT‑LARGE SEAT NINE, WHOSE TERM EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2016; FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, WHOSE TERM EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2017; AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING TWO MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE OLD EXCHANGE BUILDING COMMISSION, AT‑LARGE SEATS, WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2018.

 The Concurrent Resolution was adopted, ordered returned to the House.

**CARRIED OVER**

 H. 4166 -- Reps. Clemmons and Goldfinch: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT LEGISLATION REVISING OR REQUIRING REVISIONS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES FEDERAL OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS’ BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR TO PROTECT SOUTH CAROLINA’S INTERESTS WITH RESPECT TO COMMERCIAL ENERGY LEASES IN THESE DISTRICTS.

 On motion of Senator SCOTT, the Resolution was carried over.

**THE CALL OF THE UNCONTESTED CALENDAR HAVING BEEN COMPLETED, THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO THE MOTION PERIOD.**

**MOTION ADOPTED**

 On motion of Senator PEELER, the Senate agreed to dispense with the balance of the Motion Period.

**MOTION TO VARY THE ORDER OF THE DAY FAILED**

 Senator SHANE MARTIN moved under Rule 32 to vary the order of the day in order to take up the Special Orders before the Interrupted Debate.

 Senator LEATHERMAN moved to table the motion to vary the order of the day.

 The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 32; Nays 8**

**AYES**

Alexander Bennett Campbell

Campsen Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Hayes Hembree Johnson

Kimpson Leatherman Lourie

*Martin, Larry* Massey Matthews

McElveen McGill Nicholson

O'Dell Peeler Pinckney

Rankin Reese Scott

Setzler Shealy Sheheen

Turner Young

**Total--32**

**NAYS**

Allen Bright Bryant

Cleary Corbin Grooms

Malloy *Martin, Shane*

**Total--8**

The motion to vary the order of the day was tabled.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator DAVIS rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator MALLOY rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator BRIGHT rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO THE INTERRUPTED DEBATE.**

**AMENDMENT PROPOSED, DEBATE INTERRUPTED**

H. 3945 -- Reps. G.M. Smith, Harrell, Lucas, Bannister, Toole, Stringer, Hamilton, Sottile, Barfield, Bingham, Spires, Hardwick, Owens, Hiott, Long, Erickson, Murphy, Horne, Willis, Gagnon, Simrill, Funderburk and Henderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 4 TO CHAPTER 13, TITLE 8 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON ETHICS ENFORCEMENT AND DISCLOSURE, TO PROVIDE FOR ITS POWERS, DUTIES, PROCEDURES, AND JURISDICTION, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS; TO REPEAL ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 13, TITLE 8 RELATING TO THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION; TO REPEAL ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 13, TITLE 8 RELATING TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE ETHICS COMMITTEES; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑100, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN REGARD TO ETHICS, GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY, AND CAMPAIGN REFORM, SO AS TO REVISE CERTAIN DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑700, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO USE OF AN OFFICIAL POSITION OR OFFICE FOR FINANCIAL GAIN, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DETERMINES THAT HE HAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, HE MUST COMPLY WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS BEFORE ABSTAINING FROM ALL VOTES ON THE MATTER, AND TO PROVIDE FOR WHEN A PUBLIC OFFICIAL WHO IS REQUIRED TO RECUSE HIMSELF FROM A MATTER MUST DO SO; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑740, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO REPRESENTATION OF ANOTHER PERSON BY A PUBLIC OFFICIAL BEFORE A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY, SO AS TO FURTHER DELINEATE WHAT IS CONSIDERED A CONTESTED CASE WHEN REPRESENTATION BY A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS PERMITTED; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑745, RELATING TO PAID REPRESENTATION OF CLIENTS AND CONTRACTING BY A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR AN ASSOCIATE IN PARTICULAR SITUATIONS, SO AS TO DELETE A PROHIBITION AGAINST CERTAIN CONTRACTS WITH AN ENTITY FUNDED WITH GENERAL FUNDS; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑1120, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CONTENTS OF STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTEREST, SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THESE CONTENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑1300, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN REGARD TO CAMPAIGN PRACTICES, SO AS TO REVISE CERTAIN DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑1318, RELATING TO ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO RETIRE CAMPAIGN DEBTS, SO AS TO REQUIRE ANY SUCH CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE ONLY; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑1338, RELATING TO PERSONS WHO MAY NOT SOLICIT CONTRIBUTIONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE HEAD OF ANY STATE AGENCY WHO IS SELECTED BY THE GOVERNOR, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, OR AN APPOINTED OR ELECTED BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 8‑13‑1340, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON CONTRIBUTIONS BY ONE CANDIDATE TO ANOTHER OR THROUGH COMMITTEES CONTROLLED BY A CANDIDATE, SO AS TO DELETE AN EXCEPTION FOR A COMMITTEE CONTROLLED BY A CANDIDATE IF IT IS THE ONLY SUCH COMMITTEE, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; TO AMEND SECTIONS 8‑13‑1510 AND 8‑13‑1520, BOTH AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR ETHICAL AND OTHER VIOLATIONS, AND BY ADDING SECTION 8‑13‑1530 SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND FOR WHERE CERTAIN WILFUL VIOLATIONS MUST BE TRIED; AND TO REPEAL SECTIONS 8‑13‑710 AND 8‑13‑715 RELATING TO REPORTING OF PARTICULAR GIFTS AND AUTHORIZED REIMBURSEMENTS FOR SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS.

 The Senate resumed consideration of the Bill, the question being the adoption of the previously proposed amendment, Amendment No. 1, which was printed in the Journal of Wednesday, January 22, 2014.

 Debate was interrupted by adjournment.

**Motion Adopted**

 On motion of Senator COURSON, with unanimous consent, the Senate agreed that, when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned to meet at 11:45 A.M. tomorrow.

**Motion to Ratify Adopted**

 At 12:54 P.M., Senator COURSON asked unanimous consent to make a motion to invite the House of Representatives to attend the Senate Chamber for the purpose of ratifying Acts at a mutually convenient time.

 There was no objection and a message was sent to the House accordingly.

**LOCAL APPOINTMENT**

**Confirmation**

Having received a favorable report from the Senate, the following appointment was confirmed in open session:

Initial Appointment, Spartanburg County Magistrate, with the term to commence April 30, 2011, and to expire April 30, 2015

Teresa Ledbetter, 1145 Edward Road, Inman, SC 29349

**Motion Adopted**

 Senator COURSON moved that the Senate stand adjourned.

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

**Ayes 26; Nays 15**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Campbell

Cleary Courson Hayes

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Lourie Malloy

*Martin, Larry* Massey Matthews

McElveen McGill Nicholson

O'Dell Peeler Pinckney

Rankin Reese Scott

Setzler Sheheen

**Total--26**

**NAYS**

Bennett Bright Bryant

Campsen Corbin Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Grooms Hembree *Martin, Shane*

Shealy Thurmond Young

**Total--15**

 The Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

 On motion of Senator CROMER, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of Mr. Chase Loveless of Chapin, S.C. Chase loved sports, the lake and the Gamecocks. He was an accomplished athlete at Hammond where he lettered in basketball, football and lacrosse. In 2009, he was selected to play in the Shrine Bowl. Chase was a loving son, brother, grandson and friend who will be dearly missed.

and

**MOTION ADOPTED**

 On motion of Senators BRIGHT, REESE, SHANE MARTIN and PEELER, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of Judge E. C. Chuck Gowan, Jr. of Spartanburg, S.C. Judge Gowan was appointed as a Spartanburg County Magistrate in September 1989. He served as a volunteer firefighter for the Reidville Fire Department for over 17 years before becoming a magistrate. He was a member of Reidville First Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #102, the Mid City Shrine Club and a lifetime member of the South Carolina Summary Court Judge Association. Judge Gowan was a loving husband, devoted father and doting grandfather.

**ADJOURNMENT**

 At 1:03 P.M., on motion of Senator COURSON, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11:45 A.M.

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