**Thursday, February 12, 2015**

**(Statewide Session)**

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 The Senate assembled at 11:00 A.M., 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 prophet Zechariah said to the angel of the Lord:

 “ ‘...I see a flying scroll, thirty feet long and fifteen feet wide’.”

 (Zechariah 5:2b)

 Join me as we pray, if you will:

 O Glorious God, not always do we experience the sort of in-your-face vision as did Zechariah when that king-sized announcement of God’s coming judgment flashed before his eyes. Often our reminders, our summons to action are more subtle, less obvious, not quite so bold. Yet, when those very reminders are about the needs of the people of South Carolina, they are surely of great importance in and of themselves. So we call on You, Lord, to grant to each Senator and to every Senate staff member renewed sensitivity to the yearnings of the people of this State we love. May these leaders and their aides respond with loving hearts. We humbly pray this in Your name, Lord. Amen.

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

**Point of Quorum**

 At 11:10 A.M., Senator SETZLER made the point that a quorum was not present. It was ascertained that a quorum was present. The Senate resumed.

**Doctor of the Day**

 Senator COURSON introduced Dr. Thomas Gibbons of Irmo, S.C., Doctor of the Day.

**Leave of Absence**

 At 11:54 A.M., Senator GROOMS requested a leave of absence for Senator CAMPSEN for the day.

**Leave of Absence**

 At 11:54 A.M., Senator GROOMS requested a leave of absence for Senator CAMPBELL for the day.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator MALLOY rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Remarks by Senator MALLOY**

 Thank you Mr. PRESIDENT, lady and gentleman of the Senate. I want to start, and this is a good time as we are joined by other colleagues to be able to say yesterday, a senior member of the Senate came in and addressed briefly the issue down at South Carolina State. I know you’ve heard a lot in the news lately about some of the measures they are doing in the House of Representatives. I just stand today, to say that one, the school has been there for over 100 years, I think. We have the greats of Judge Matthew Perry, Chief Justice Finney, Justice Donald Beatty, Deacon Jones, Armstrong Williams, many graduates here, Senator JOHN SCOTT and others, and many have family members there. At the same time, I want to say that as it relates over here, no one is asking for a resignation, and we will take the same opportunity to thank Senator LEATHERMAN, for a thoughtful approach as it relates to addressing issues as it relates to the institution. My son went to school there for two years. Obviously, I am very concerned about the chilling effect that it has on students. So that we can have some education about what is going on, there is a proviso over in the House of Representatives. It has to go through the whole House of Representatives and then it has to come through this body here in the Senate. As a matter of fact, as I look to my friend, the Chairman of Education Committee, you know it’s not going to happen y’all. I just tell you that what we have here is an institution that is part of South Carolina. It needs to be part of South Carolina because of the legacy that it has, the heritage that it has, and the people that it has produced. So with that, I’ll end up moving on with some of the other members that have something to say, but I would just say that there is no Bill moving, there is no thought over here as it relates to closing the school. As a matter of fact, the Chairman of the Education Committee and the President *Pro Tempore* have all led thoughtful approaches as it relates to handling the matters there and it will continue to be a thoughtful approach.

 On motion of Senator SHANE MARTIN, with unanimous consent, the remarks of Senator MALLOY were ordered printed in the Journal.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator COURSON rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED**

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

S. 391 Sen. Cromer

S. 382 Sens. Malloy, Pinckney, Setzler, Jackson

S. 332 Sen. Lourie

S. 405 Sen. Lourie

**RECALLED AND COMMITTED**

 S. 411 -- Senator Cleary: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 53‑3‑200 SO AS TO DESIGNATE THE MONTH OF OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS “ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH” IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN asked unanimous consent to make a motion to recall the Bill from the Committee on Judiciary.

 There was no objection and the Bill was recalled from the Committee on Judiciary.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the Bill was committed to the General Committee.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

 The following were introduced:

 S. 451 -- Senator Peeler: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR TOMMY E. MARTIN OF GAFFNEY FOR A HALF CENTURY OF DEDICATED SERVICE IN THE FIELD OF NEWSPAPER JOURNALISM, FOR NEARLY TWENTY-FOUR YEARS OF OUTSTANDING WORK AS PUBLISHER AND EDITOR OF THE CHEROKEE CHRONICLE, AND FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO THE GAFFNEY COMMUNITY.

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

 S. 452 -- Senator Rankin: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE MYRTLE BEACH HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS TEAM FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2014 CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 453 -- Senators Fair and Reese: A BILL TO MAKE PERMANENT THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 14-1-240, RELATING TO SURCHARGES ON CERTAIN MISDEMEANORS TO FUND TRAINING AT THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY.

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

 S. 454 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 9, TITLE 50 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES, TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON MUST HAVE IMMEDIATE ACCESS AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE DEER QUOTA TAGS TO HUNT ON PROPERTY WITH A DEER QUOTA PROGRAM PERMIT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEER QUOTA PROGRAM AND REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION THERETO, TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON MUST POSSESS A SET OF INDIVIDUAL DEER TAGS FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO HUNT ON PROPERTY WITHOUT A DEER QUOTA PROGRAM PERMIT, TO SET THE DEER TAG FEES FOR IN AND OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 50-9-920(B)(6) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO REVENUES FROM THE SALE OF PRIVILEGES, LICENSES, PERMITS, AND TAGS, TO SUBSTITUTE DEER QUOTA PROGRAM PERMIT FOR ANTLERLESS DEER QUOTA PERMIT; TO AMEND SECTION 50-9-920(B)(7) OF THE 1976 CODE, TO REMOVE "ANTLERLESS" AND SUBSTITUTE "INDIVIDUAL"; TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, TITLE 50 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF GAME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE BAG LIMITS FOR ANTLERED AND ANTLERLESS DEER, AND THE LIMIT FOR DEER ON PROPERTY ENROLLED IN THE DEER QUOTA PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE THAT IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL TO TAKE MORE THAN THE LEGAL LIMIT OF DEER, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE SECTION; TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, TITLE 50 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF GAME, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE DEER TAGS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE VALIDITY OF SUCH TAGS, TO PROVIDE THAT ALL DEER TAKEN MUST BE TAGGED, TO PROVIDE THAT IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL TO POSSESS, MOVE, OR TRANSPORT AN UNTAGGED DEER, TO POSSESS MORE THAN ONE SET OF DEER TAGS OR TAGS ISSUED IN ANOTHER'S NAME, AND TO ALTER A DEER TAG FOR FRAUDULENT OR UNLAWFUL PURPOSES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS SECTION; TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-390 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO DEPARTMENTAL AUTHORITY OVER GAME ZONES, TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT TO PROMULGATE NECESSARY REGULATIONS RELATED TO THE TAKING OF DEER; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 50-11-335 OF THE 1976 CODE.

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

 S. 455 -- Senators Johnson, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Kimpson, Leatherman, Lourie, Malloy, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, Matthews, McElveen, Nicholson, O'Dell, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Sabb, Scott, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE MT. CALVARY FIRE BAPTIZED HOLINESS CHURCH OF MANNING ON THE OCCASION OF ITS HISTORIC ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO COMMEND THE CHURCH FOR A CENTURY OF SERVICE TO GOD AND THE COMMUNITY.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 S. 456 -- Senators L. Martin, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Kimpson, Leatherman, Lourie, Malloy, S. Martin, Massey, Matthews, McElveen, Nicholson, O'Dell, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Sabb, Scott, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND JANE OPITZ SHULER, CHIEF COUNSEL OF THE JUDICIAL MERIT SELECTION COMMISSION AND STAFF ATTORNEY TO THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, FOR HER OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE COMMISSION AND THE COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE AS A WHOLE AND TO EXTEND BEST WISHES TO HER AS SHE BEGINS HER NEW ROLE AS CHIEF COUNSEL FOR THE ETHICS COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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 The Senate Resolution was adopted.

 H. 3006 -- Reps. Atwater, Bedingfield, Allison, Bannister, Bingham, Brannon, Clemmons, Crosby, Daning, Erickson, Felder, Gagnon, Goldfinch, Hamilton, Henderson, Herbkersman, Horne, Huggins, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, McCoy, Merrill, D. C. Moss, V. S. Moss, Nanney, Newton, Putnam, Quinn, Sandifer, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, Sottile, Stringer, Tallon, Thayer, Whitmire, Willis, Southard, Hixon, Pitts, Ballentine, Toole, Simrill, Lucas, Kennedy, Rivers and Pope: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 1-23-138 SO AS TO PROVIDE A REGULATION PROMULGATED UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE; TO AMEND SECTION 1-23-120, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE APPROVAL OF REGULATIONS, SO AS TO DELETE LANGUAGE REQUIRING A STATE AGENCY TO PERIODICALLY REVIEW REGULATIONS IT PROMULGATES.

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

 H. 3114 -- Reps. Nanney, Hicks, Allison, Atwater, Ballentine, Bannister, Bingham, Brannon, Burns, Chumley, Clary, Corley, H. A. Crawford, Crosby, Daning, Delleney, Erickson, Forrester, Gagnon, Goldfinch, Hamilton, Henderson, Herbkersman, Hiott, Huggins, Kennedy, Limehouse, Loftis, Long, McCoy, Merrill, D. C. Moss, Newton, Pitts, Pope, Quinn, Ryhal, Sandifer, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, Stringer, Tallon, Taylor, Thayer, Yow, Wells, Willis, Hixon, Putnam, Rivers, V. S. Moss, Whitmire, Bedingfield, Hill, Duckworth and Clemmons: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 41, TITLE 44 SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA PAIN-CAPABLE UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT", TO PROVIDE FINDINGS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO REQUIRE A PHYSICIAN TO CALCULATE THE PROBABLE POST-FERTILIZATION AGE OF AN UNBORN CHILD BEFORE PERFORMING OR INDUCING AN ABORTION, TO PROVIDE THAT AN ABORTION MAY NOT BE PERFORMED IF THE PROBABLE POST-FERTILIZATION AGE OF THE UNBORN CHILD IS TWENTY OR MORE WEEKS, TO PROVIDE FOR EXCEPTIONS, TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTING BY PHYSICIANS WHO PERFORM ABORTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO PREPARE PUBLIC REPORTS THAT PROVIDE DATA ON ABORTIONS PERFORMED IN THE STATE AND TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS, TO PROVIDE FOR A CIVIL RIGHT OF ACTION FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS AGAINST A PHYSICIAN PERFORMING AN ABORTION IN VIOLATION OF THE ACT AND FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, TO CREATE CRIMINAL PENALTIES, AND TO PROVIDE THE ACT DOES NOT IMPLICITLY OR OTHERWISE REPEAL ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW.

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

 H. 3125 -- Reps. Quinn, Cobb-Hunter, M. S. McLeod, Felder, Atwater, Toole, Huggins, Pitts, Pope, Weeks, Whipper, R. L. Brown, Gilliard, Hicks, Bernstein, Finlay, J. E. Smith, Putnam, Hardwick, Mitchell and Bales: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 14-7-1610, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE STATE GRAND JURY SYSTEM AND LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND APPLICABILITY, SO AS TO INCLUDE CRIMES INVOLVING TRAFFICKING PERSONS IN THE PURVIEW OF THE STATUTE; TO AMEND SECTION 14-7-1630, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO JURISDICTION OF THE STATE GRAND JURY, SO AS TO INCLUDE CRIMES INVOLVING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS IN THE PURVIEW OF THE STATUTE; TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2010, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR PURPOSES OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "SEX TRAFFICKING"; BY ADDING SECTION 16-3-2100 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE POSTING OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER HOTLINE IN CERTAIN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS, PROVIDE LANGUAGE FOR THE POSTING, AND PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR THE FAILURE TO POST THE INFORMATION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 16-3-2050, RELATING TO THE INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE PREVENTION OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TASK FORCE.

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

 H. 3168 -- Reps. Tallon, McCoy and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 6 TO CHAPTER 9, TITLE 25 SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT", TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, AND PROVIDE QUALIFICATIONS, POWERS, DUTIES, AND LIMITATIONS OF SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SERVING PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE.

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

 H. 3195 -- Reps. Finlay, Cole, Anderson, Bales, G. A. Brown, R. L. Brown, Felder, Funderburk, Hart, Lucas, Murphy, Newton, Norman, Norrell, Pope, Putnam, Rivers, Spires, Tallon, Taylor, Wells, Williams, Willis, Bernstein, Long, Douglas, Henderson, G. M. Smith, McCoy, Clary, M. S. McLeod, Weeks, W. J. McLeod, Whipper, Hicks and Knight: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 2-17-90, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO ACTS PROHIBITED OF LOBBYISTS' PRINCIPALS, SO AS TO DELETE THE SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION FOR AMERICAN LEGISLATIVE EXCHANGE COUNCIL CONVENTIONS AND CONFERENCES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 8-13-1348, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE USE OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS FOR PERSONAL EXPENSES, SO AS TO CLARIFY THE TYPE OF PROHIBITED EXPENSES.

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

 H. 3247 -- Reps. Rutherford, Douglas, McCoy, McKnight, Weeks, W. J. McLeod and Gilliard: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE THE "STUDY COMMITTEE ON EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES" UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2015.

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

 H. 3519 -- Rep. Merrill: A BILL TO RATIFY AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7, ARTICLE XVII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION ON LOTTERIES AND THE EXCEPTIONS TO THIS PROHIBITION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY AUTHORIZE RAFFLES TO BE OPERATED AND CONDUCTED BY RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, OR ELEEMOSYNARY PURPOSES, AND BY GENERAL LAW MUST DEFINE THE TYPE OF ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT RAFFLES, TO PROVIDE THE STANDARDS FOR THEIR CONDUCT AND MANAGEMENT, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ANY OTHER LAW NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE PROPER FUNCTIONING, HONESTY, INTEGRITY, AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE RAFFLES ARE CONDUCTED.

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

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

 Senator O’DELL from the General Committee polled out S. 332 favorable:

S. 332 -- Senators Shealy and Lourie: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO HONOR OUR SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS, THE SENIORS THEY SERVE, AND THE VOLUNTEERS WHO CARE FOR THEM AND TO DECLARE MARCH 2015 AS “MARCH FOR MEALS MONTH” IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

**Poll of the General Committee**

**Polled 17; Ayes 17; Nays 0; Not Voting 0**

**AYES**

O’Dell Sheheen Lourie

Bryant Jackson Cromer

Cleary Bright Verdin

Campbell *Martin, Shane* Shealy

Young Kimpson Johnson

McElveen Sabb

**Total--17**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator O’DELL from the General Committee polled out S. 405 favorable:

 S. 405 -- Senators L. Martin and Lourie: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE DEDICATION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO THE FUTURE SUCCESS OF SOUTH CAROLINA’S YOUNG PEOPLE AND TO THE PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND TO DECLARE THE MONTH OF APRIL 2015 AS “CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH” IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

**Poll of the General Committee**

**Polled 17; Ayes 17; Nays 0; Not Voting 0**

**AYES**

O’Dell Sheheen Lourie

Bryant Jackson Cromer

Cleary Bright Verdin

Campbell *Martin, Shane* Shealy

Young Kimpson Johnson

McElveen Sabb

**Total--17**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator O’DELL from the General Committee polled out H. 3389 favorable:

 H. 3389 -- Reps. Clemmons, Hardwick, H.A. Crawford, Goldfinch, Duckworth, Johnson, Yow and Hardee: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE GRATITUDE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THOSE WHO STOOD GUARD BOTH IN THE UNIFORMED AND COVERT SERVICES DURING THE COLD WAR ERA, TO RECOGNIZE THE VICTORY OF FREEDOM OVER COMMUNISM IN MANY NATIONS AS A RESULT OF THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE COLD WAR, AND TO JOIN THE STATES OF KANSAS AND MAINE IN OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZING THE FIRST DAY OF MAY AS “COLD WAR VICTORY DAY”.

**Poll of the General Committee**

**Polled 17; Ayes 17; Nays 0; Not Voting 0**

**AYES**

O’Dell Sheheen Lourie

Bryant Jackson Cromer

Cleary Bright Verdin

Campbell *Martin, Shane* Shealy

Young Kimpson Johnson

McElveen Sabb

**Total--17**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

 Senator BRYANT from the Committee on Invitations polled out S. 386 favorable:

 S. 386 -- Senators Hayes, Peeler, Gregory and Coleman: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE YORK COUNTY AS A VITAL PART OF THE PALMETTO STATE AND TO DECLARE FEBRUARY 24, 2015, “YORK COUNTY DAY” IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

**Poll of the Invitations Committee**

**Polled 10; Ayes 10; Nays 0; Not Voting 1**

**AYES**

Bryant Alexander Reese

Verdin Cromer Malloy

Cleary Johnson Kimpson

McElveen

**Total--10**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**NOT VOTING**

Campsen

**Total--1**

**Adopted**

 S. 386 -- Senators Hayes, Peeler, Gregory and Coleman: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE YORK COUNTY AS A VITAL PART OF THE PALMETTO STATE AND TO DECLARE FEBRUARY 24, 2015, “YORK COUNTY DAY” IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

 On motion of Senator HAYES, with unanimous consent, the Concurrent Resolution was taken up for immediate consideration.

 The Concurrent Resolution was adopted, ordered sent to House.

**Appointments Reported**

 Senator COURSON from the Committee on Education submitted a favorable report on:

**Statewide Appointments**

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, with the term to commence July 1, 2012, and to expire July 1, 2016

At-Large:

Tim M. Hofferth, 260 Edgewood Drive, Chapin, SC 29036 *VICE* Guy C. Tarrant (resigned)

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, with the term to commence July 1, 2014, and to expire July 1, 2016

Four-Year Institutions:

Allison Dean Love, 224 Wood Duck Road, Columbia, SC 29223 *VICE* Natasha M. Hanna

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Public Charter School District Board of Trustees, with the term to commence July 1, 2012, and to expire July 1, 2015

Chamber of Commerce:

Laban D. Chappell, 1335 Winchester Drive, Charleston, SC 29407 *VICE* Laura H. Getty

Received as information.

Reappointment, South Carolina Public Charter School District Board of Trustees, with the term to commence July 1, 2015, and to expire July 1, 2018

Chamber of Commerce:

Laban D. Chappell, 1335 Winchester Drive, Charleston, SC 29407

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, with the term to commence July 1, 2014, and to expire July 1, 2016

Technical and Comprehensive Education:

Paul O. Batson III, 296 Roberts Circle, Greer, SC 29650 *VICE* vacant

Received as information.

 Senator ALEXANDER from the Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry submitted a favorable report on:

**Statewide Appointments**

Initial Appointment, Jobs Economic Development Authority, with the term to commence July 27, 2012, and to expire July 27, 2015

1st Congressional District:

William W. Peacock, 67 Greenleaf Road, Bluffton, SC 29910 *VICE* Sean McLernon

Received as information.

Reappointment, Jobs Economic Development Authority, with the term to commence July 27, 2015, and to expire July 27, 2018

1st Congressional District:

William W. Peacock, 67 Greenleaf Road, Bluffton, SC 29910

Received as information.

Reappointment, Real Estate Appraisers Board, with the term to commence May 31, 2015, and to expire May 31, 2018

Licensed or Certified Appraiser:

Christopher E. Barczak, 2965 North Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201

Received as information.

Reappointment, South Carolina Board of Real Estate Appraisers, with the term to commence May 31, 2015, and to expire May 31, 2018

General Public:

Rex L. Casterline, P.O. Box 123, Columbia, SC 29202

Received as information.

Reappointment, South Carolina Panel for Dietetics, with the term to commence May 30, 2015, and to expire May 30, 2017

Dietetics Educator:

Judy H. Thomas, 101 Laurel Circle, Fort Mill, SC 29715

 Received as information.

**Message from the House**

Columbia, S.C., January 22, 2015

Mr. President and Senators:

 The House respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it has confirmed the appointment:

STATEWIDE APPOINTMENT

 Initial Appointment, State Ethics Commission, with term to commence June 30, 2013 and expiring June 30, 2018:

 2 Congressional District:

 Mr. Thomas M. Galardi, 140 Foxwood Drive, Aiken, SC 29803

*VICE* James Burns

Very respectfully,

Speaker of the House

 Received as information.

**HOUSE CONCURRENCE**

S. 174 -- Senator Leatherman: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION OF N. OLD GEORGETOWN ROAD AND HIGHWAY 378 THE “DEPUTY JOSEPH C. ANTWINE MEMORIAL INTERSECTION” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS INTERSECTION CONTAINING THE WORDS “DEPUTY JOSEPH C. ANTWINE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY”.

 Returned with concurrence.

 Received as information.

 S. 404 -- Senator Williams: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 908 IN MARION COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH HENRY ALFORD ROAD TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 378 “BILLY RICHARDSON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

 Returned with concurrence.

 Received as information.

**Motion Carried Over**

 Having voted on the prevailing side, Senator LARRY MARTIN moved to reconsider the vote whereby second reading of S. 1 failed on February 11, 2015.

 On motion of Senator CROMER, the motion to reconsider second reading of S. 1 was carried over.

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

**READ THE THIRD TIME**

**SENT TO THE HOUSE**

The following Bill was read the third time and ordered sent to the House of Representatives:

S. 21 -- Senators Grooms and Campbell: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56‑1‑222 SO AS TO EXPAND VISION STANDARDS AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW CERTAIN PERSONS WHO WEAR BIOPTIC TELESCOPIC LENSES FOR VISION ASSISTANCE TO OBTAIN A DRIVER’S LICENSE.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill. The question being the third reading of the Bill.

 The Bill was read the third time and ordered sent to House.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ADOPTED**

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 78 -- Senator Massey: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 59, TITLE 12 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO FORFEITED LANDS, BY ADDING SECTION 12‑59‑140, SO AS TO ENACT THE “FORFEITED LANDS EMERGENCY DEVELOPMENT ACT”, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE AUTHORITY OF COUNTY COUNCILS AND FORFEITED LAND COMMISSIONS TO PETITION LEGISLATIVE DELEGATIONS FOR THE USE OF THE SPECIAL AUTHORITIES PROVIDED IN THIS ACT.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Bill.

 The question being the adoption of the committee amendment.

 The Committee on Finance proposed the following amendment (BBM\78C003.BBM.DG15), which was adopted:

 Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 2, page 2, after line 43, by adding:

 / (f) the cost of any clean up of a site, including demolition and disposal costs, intended to make the property saleable. /

 Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, page 3, after line 37 by adding a new subsection to read:

 / (E) The provisions of this section do not apply to property for which legal ownership by the defaulting taxpayer was acquired solely through the laws of intestacy through more than one generation.” /

 Amend the bill further, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

 / SECTION \_\_\_. Article 1, Chapter 59, Title 12 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

 “Section 12-59-150. An immediate family member of a county forfeited land commission member may not purchase land from the forfeited land commission on which their relative serves, unless the sale is through a competitive bid process or a listing open to members of the general public which has been made available for at least ten days. For purposes of this section, an immediate family member is a spouse, parent, sibling, or child of a forfeited land commission member.” /

 Renumber sections to conform.

 Amend title to conform.

 Senator HAYES explained the amendment.

 The amendment was adopted.

 The question then was second reading of the Bill.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 1**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bryant Cleary Corbin

Courson Cromer Davis

Fair Gregory Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey Matthews

McElveen Nicholson O'Dell

Peeler Pinckney Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Sheheen Thurmond

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

Bright

**Total--1**

 There being no further amendments, the Bill was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ADOPTED**

**READ THE SECOND TIME**

S. 382 -- Senators Matthews, Hutto, Williams, Courson, Hayes, Nicholson, Malloy, Pinckney, Setzler and Johnson: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE AGENCY HEAD OF SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY TO INSTITUTE A MANDATORY FURLOUGH PROGRAM OF UP TO SEVEN DAYS IN FISCAL YEAR 2014‑2015, AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FURLOUGH PROGRAM.

 The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Joint Resolution.

 The question being the adoption of the committee amendment.

 The Committee on Finance proposed the following amendment (BBM\382C001.BBM.DG15), which was adopted:

 Amend the joint resolution, as and if amended, page 1, SECTION 1, by striking line 24 and inserting:

 / of not more than twenty working days. The program must meet the/

 Amend the joint resolution further, SECTION 1, page 2, by striking lines 15 through 17 and inserting:

 / the pay period within which the furlough occurs. The university is encouraged to consult the State Division of Human Resources of the Budget and Control Board in the development of the furlough plan to ensure that the plan meets the requirements of this section. The university shall report information regarding furloughs to the State Division of Human Resources as requested. /

 Renumber sections to conform.

 Amend title to conform.

 The amendment was adopted.

 The question then was second reading of the Joint Resolution.

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

**Ayes 40; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Gregory

Grooms Hayes Hembree

Hutto Jackson Johnson

Kimpson Leatherman Malloy

*Martin, Larry Martin, Shane* Massey

Matthews McElveen Nicholson

O'Dell Peeler Pinckney

Reese Sabb Scott

Setzler Shealy Sheheen

Thurmond Turner Verdin

Young

**Total--40**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

 There being no further amendments, the Joint Resolution was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

**OBJECTION**

 S. 179 -- Senators L. Martin and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 61‑6‑20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS, SO AS TO INCLUDE POWDERED OR CRYSTALLINE ALCOHOLS WHEN HYDROLYZED IN THE DEFINITION OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS AND TO AMEND SECTION 61‑6‑4157, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION TO POSSESS, USE, SELL, OR PURCHASE POWDERED ALCOHOL, SO AS TO INCLUDE BOTH POWDERED AND CRYSTALLINE ALCOHOL WHEN HYDROLYZED.

 Senator LARRY MARTIN explained the Bill.

 Senator BRYANT objected to further consideration of the Bill.

**CARRIED OVER**

S. 3 -- Senators L. Martin, Shealy, Malloy, Courson, Fair, Turner, Lourie and Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑10 OF THE 1976 CODE, TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑20 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES AND PENALTIES, SO AS TO RESTRUCTURE THE CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES INTO DEGREES AND PROVIDE PENALTIES; TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑30, RELATING TO THE ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A PERSON CONVICTED OF A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSE, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON CONVICTED OF A CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSE OR A PERSON SUBJECT TO AN ORDER OF PROTECTION FOR DOMESTIC OR FAMILY VIOLENCE TO SHIP, TRANSPORT, OR RECEIVE A FIREARM OR AMMUNITION, AND TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO A PERSON TO WHOM THE STATUTE APPLIES; TO AMEND SECTION 16‑25‑65, RELATING TO CRIMINAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OF A HIGH AND AGGRAVATED NATURE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE COURT MUST ORDER PARTICIPATION IN A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM AND ALLOW A RESTRICTION ON FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AS A CONDITION OF BOND; AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE PERSON, BY ADDING ARTICLE 18, TO PROVIDE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMANENT AND EMERGENCY CIVIL NO‑CONTACT ORDERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DURATION OF CIVIL NO‑CONTACT ORDERS, AND TO PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF CIVIL NO‑CONTACT ORDERS.

 On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the Bill was carried over.

 S. 350 -- Senators Campbell, Malloy, Setzler, Scott, Alexander, Hembree, O’Dell, Hayes, Grooms, Cleary, Williams, Bennett, Johnson, Hutto, L. Martin, Fair, Turner, Allen, Matthews, Peeler, Lourie, Courson, Coleman, Jackson, McElveen, Shealy, Sabb, Kimpson, Nicholson and Sheheen: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF ACT 314 OF 2000, AS LAST AMENDED BY ACT 248 OF 2010 TO TERMINATE THE PROVISIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT ON JUNE 30, 2020.

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

**ADOPTED**

 S. 346 -- Senators Leatherman, Alexander, Allen, Bennett, Bright, Bryant, Campbell, Campsen, Cleary, Coleman, Corbin, Courson, Cromer, Davis, Fair, Gregory, Grooms, Hayes, Hembree, Hutto, Jackson, Johnson, Kimpson, Lourie, Malloy, L. Martin, S. Martin, Massey, Matthews, McElveen, Nicholson, O’Dell, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Sabb, Scott, Setzler, Shealy, Sheheen, Thurmond, Turner, Verdin, Williams and Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO AWARD THE SOUTH CAROLINA MEDAL OF VALOR TO THOSE SOUTH CAROLINIANS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES WHILE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES DURING THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM.

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

**Motion Adopted**

 On motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate agreed to go into Executive Session prior to adjournment.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

 On motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the seal of secrecy was removed, so far as the same relates to appointments made by the Governor and the following names were reported to the Senate in open session:

**STATEWIDE APPOINTMENTS**

**Confirmations**

Having received a favorable report from the Banking and Insurance Committee, the following appointments were taken up for immediate consideration:

Reappointment, South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2018

Cooperative Credit Unions:

Hansel B. Hart, 3068 Kennerly Road, Irmo, SC 29063

On motion of Senator HAYES, the question was confirmation of Hansel B. Hart.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Hansel B. Hart was confirmed.

Reappointment, South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2018

Consumer:

Donald W. Pennington, 650 Harrison Bridge Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680

On motion of Senator HAYES, the question was confirmation of Donald W. Pennington.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Donald W. Pennington was confirmed.

Having received a favorable report from the General Committee, the following appointment was taken up for immediate consideration:

Initial Appointment, Director of Department of Social Services, with term coterminous with Governor

Virginia S. Alford, 201 Genessee Road, Irmo, SC 29063 *VICE* Ms. Lillian Koller

On motion of Senator O’DELL, the question was confirmation of Virginia S. Alford.

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

**Ayes 35; Nays 0; Abstain 4**

**AYES**

Alexander Bennett Bright

Bryant Corbin Courson

Cromer Davis Fair

Grooms Hayes Hembree

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey McElveen Nicholson

O'Dell Peeler Pinckney

Rankin Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

Sheheen Turner Verdin

Williams Young

**Total--35**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen Hutto Malloy

Thurmond

**Total--4**

The appointment of Virginia S. Alford was confirmed.

Having received a favorable report from the Judiciary Committee, the following appointments were taken up for immediate consideration:

Reappointment, Juvenile Parole Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2018

At-Large:

Oscar L. Douglas, 3405 Fletton Way, Summerville, SC 29485

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of Oscar L. Douglas.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Oscar L. Douglas was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Ethics Commission, with the term to commence June 30, 2013, and to expire June 30, 2018

2nd Congressional District:

Thomas M. Galardi, 140 Foxwood Drive, Aiken, SC 29803 *VICE* James Burns

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of Thomas M. Galardi.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Thomas M. Galardi was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Foster Care Review Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2013, and to expire June 30, 2017

6th Congressional District:

Andrea D. McCoy, 334 Teague Park Court, Columbia, SC 29209 *VICE* vacant

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of Andrea D. McCoy.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Andrea D. McCoy was confirmed.

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

3rd Congressional District:

Daniel R. Bracken, Jr., 124 Omega Lane, Piedmont, SC 29673 *VICE* Carolyn Pinson

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of Daniel R. Bracken, Jr.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Daniel R. Bracken, Jr. was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, Juvenile Parole Board, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2018

At-Large:

Lesa T. Chandler, 3416 Refuge Road, Central, SC 29630 *VICE* Frank D. Wideman

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of Lesa T. Chandler.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Lesa T. Chandler was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Commission for Minority Affairs, with the term to commence June 30, 2011, and to expire June 30, 2015

4th Congressional District:

Karen W. McGill, 150 Cheek Road, Spartanburg, SC 29303 *VICE* Ricardo J. Harris

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of Karen W. McGill.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Karen W. McGill was confirmed.

Reappointment, South Carolina State Commission for Minority Affairs, with the term to commence June 30, 2015, and to expire June 30, 2019

4th Congressional District:

Karen W. McGill, 150 Cheek Road, Spartanburg, SC 29303

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of Karen W. McGill.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Karen W. McGill was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Commission for Minority Affairs, with the term to commence June 30, 2013, and to expire June 30, 2017

5th Congressional District:

William B. James, Jr., 1748 Cherokee National Highway, Gaffney, SC 29341 *VICE* Samuel Cerezo

On motion of Senator LARRY MARTIN, the question was confirmation of William B. James, Jr.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of William B. James, Jr. was confirmed.

Having received a favorable report from the Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee, the following appointments were taken up for immediate consideration:

Reappointment, South Carolina Panel for Dietetics, with the term to commence May 30, 2015, and to expire May 30, 2017

Dietician, Community or Public Health:

Rebecca G. Wrenn, 2727 Preston Street, Columbia, SC 29205

On motion of Senator ALEXANDER, the question was confirmation of Rebecca G. Wrenn.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Rebecca G. Wrenn was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Board of Social Work Examiners, with the term to commence November 27, 2014, and to expire November 27, 2018

Master Social Worker:

Catherine M. Buchanan, 208 Rockmount Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169 *VICE* Carolyn S. Morris

On motion of Senator ALEXANDER, the question was confirmation of Catherine M. Buchanan.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Catherine M. Buchanan was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, Jobs Economic Development Authority, with the term to commence July 27, 2012, and to expire July 27, 2015

2nd Congressional District:

William R. Drake, 26 Ashworth Lane, Columbia, SC 29206 *VICE* Kenneth Wingate

On motion of Senator ALEXANDER, the question was confirmation of William R. Drake.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of William R. Drake was confirmed.

Reappointment, Jobs Economic Development Authority, with the term to commence July 27, 2015, and to expire July 27, 2018

2nd Congressional District:

William R. Drake, 26 Ashworth Lane, Columbia, SC 29206

On motion of Senator ALEXANDER, the question was confirmation of William R. Drake.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of William R. Drake was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Athletic Commission, with the term to commence June 30, 2014, and to expire June 30, 2018

5th Congressional District:

Derek A. Shoemake, 8 Swinton Court, Elgin, SC 29045 *VICE* Clyde Jones

On motion of Senator ALEXANDER, the question was confirmation of Derek A. Shoemake.

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

**Ayes 39; Nays 0**

**AYES**

Alexander Allen Bennett

Bright Bryant Cleary

Corbin Courson Cromer

Davis Fair Grooms

Hayes Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Leatherman Malloy *Martin, Larry*

*Martin, Shane* Massey McElveen

Nicholson O'Dell Peeler

Pinckney Rankin Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Shealy Thurmond Turner

Verdin Williams Young

**Total--39**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

The appointment of Derek A. Shoemake was confirmed.

Initial Appointment, Director of Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, with term coterminous with Governor

Richele Keel Taylor, 124 Harding Street, Chapin, SC 29036 *VICE* Holly Pisarik

On motion of Senator ALEXANDER, the question was confirmation of Richele Keel Taylor.

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

**Ayes 27; Nays 0; Abstain 14**

**AYES**

Alexander Bennett Bright

Bryant Cleary Corbin

Courson Fair Grooms

Hembree Jackson Johnson

Leatherman *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Matthews Nicholson

O'Dell Peeler Pinckney

Reese Scott Shealy

Turner Verdin Williams

**Total--27**

**NAYS**

**Total--0**

**ABSTAIN**

Allen Cromer Davis

Hayes Hutto Kimpson

Malloy McElveen Rankin

Sabb Setzler Sheheen

Thurmond Young

**Total--14**

The appointment of Richele Keel Taylor was confirmed.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

 Senator SHANE MARTIN rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Motion Adopted**

 On motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

 On motion of Senator SHANE MARTIN, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of Ms. Aurelia C. Hood of Pacolet, S.C. The following statement by Walter McSherry of Spartanburg exemplifies some of the wonderful contributions of Ms. Hood:

 “Spartanburg County has lost a lady who had considerable influence in improving the government and politics of our county and State. Aurelia Hood, who lived in Pacolet, died January 26 at the age of 92 and had many accomplishments. She was the founder of the Spartanburg County affiliate of the S.C. Association of Taxpayers and a member of the board of directors of the state organization. She also founded and led the Christian Coalition in Spartanburg County and worked to inform Christian voters of all parties about where political candidates stood on issues of importance to Christians. She further became an officer of the Spartanburg County Republican Party and did much to expand its reach to include into its leadership the residents of smaller communities. The influence of Ms. Hood was beneficial and considerable, although she neither sought nor received much credit for it.”

 Ms. Hood was a member of Tate Memorial Baptist Church and attended Limestone College. She retired from Torrington Bearings Company after 25 years of service. She was a loving mother and devoted grandmother who will be dearly missed.

and

**MOTION ADOPTED**

 On motion of Senators SHEALY and SETZLER, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of Mr. Roy J. Frick of Lexington, S.C. Mr. Frick owned Frick’s Track and Welding. He was a member of the Lexington County Council for twenty two years, the Mid-Carolina Electric Co-op Board of Trustees for twenty six years, a past member of Gilbert Ruritan Club and a past leadership member of the Boy Scouts. He was presented the Order of the Palmetto and the Palmetto Patriot by Governor Beasley. Mr. Frick was a lifetime member of St. James Lutheran Church. He was a loving husband, devoted father and doting grandfather who will be dearly missed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

 At 1:15 P.M., on motion of Senator LEATHERMAN, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11:00 A.M. under the provisions of Rule 1 for the purpose of taking up local matters and uncontested matters which have previously received unanimous consent to be taken up.

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