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**(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 writer of Proverbs tells us:

“Gold there is, and rubies in abundance, but lips that speak knowledge are a rare jewel.” (Proverbs 20:15)

Join me as we bow in prayer:

Holy God, with all of the funding challenges that face our State, how fervently do we wish that the walls of this Chamber were festooned with gold and precious gems, and that Senators’ desk drawers were stuffed with rich bags of money. Yet that’s not how life plays out, as we know. So we will settle, Lord, for Your granting to each one of these leaders the even greater and more precious gifts of knowledge and of wisdom. Allow each person who labors here for the people of South Carolina to be blessed by these priceless virtues as they wrestle with issues of all sorts. All this we humbly pray in Your name, O Lord. Amen.

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

**Point of Quorum**

At 11:09 A.M., Senator SETZLER made the point that a quorum was not present. It was ascertained that a quorum was not present.

**Call of the Senate**

Senator SETZLER moved that a Call of the Senate be made. The following Senators answered the Call:

Bennett Bright Bryant

Cleary Davis Gregory

Grooms Hayes Hembree

Hutto Kimpson Leatherman

Malloy *Martin, Larry Martin, Shane*

Massey Reese Sabb

Scott Setzler Shealy

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Sheheen Thurmond Turner

Verdin Young

A quorum being present, the Senate resumed.

**Doctor of the Day**

Senator SETZLER introduced Dr. Patricia Witherspoon of Columbia, S.C., Doctor of the Day.

**Leave of Absence**

At 11:09 A.M., Senator YOUNG requested a leave of absence for Senator WILLIAMS for the day.

**Leave of Absence**

At 11:12 A.M., Senator CLEARY requested a leave of absence for Senator CAMPBELL for the day.

**Leave of Absence**

At 11:12 A.M., Senator SETZLER requested a leave of absence for Senator JOHN MATTHEWS for the day.

**Leave of Absence**

At 11:22 A.M., Senator LEATHERMAN requested a leave of absence for Senator ALEXANDER until Noon.

**Leave of Absence**

At 11:26 A.M., Senator YOUNG requested a leave of absence for Senator McELVEEN until Noon.

**Leave of Absence**

At 11:47 A.M., Senator COURSON requested a leave of absence beginning at 1:30 P.M. until Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at Noon.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senator DAVIS rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Remarks by Senator DAVIS**

Members of the Senate I would like your attention today to tell the story of a young girl named Raelyn Keefer. This Body changed her life a couple years ago when it passed a law allowing doctors to authorize CBD oil, and they are here today, if I could please ask you to stand if

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you would. Mr. and Mrs. Keefer and their daughter Raelyn are from Columbia in Senator COURSON’s district, and I’m going to tell Raelyn’s story. It is in the words of her parents. This is her picture right here, and this is the story:

“Our daughter Raelyn was born September 11, 2013, and as they placed her into my arms I began to witness the blue color of her body deepening and to my horror see that she was not breathing. They coded her and immediately a team of three doctors ran in to begin resuscitating her. It took approximately 6 minutes to get her stabilized and then they rushed her out the door. My husband and I were left sitting in the delivery room stunned, not knowing what was happening or if our daughter was still alive or not. This came as a complete shock. I had a normal pregnancy and all of the tests during pregnancy were normal as well. It wasn’t until hours later that we heard of our daughter’s survival and were able to see her. It was at that time that the doctors explained to us the physical abnormalities they saw in Raelyn and suggested genetic testing. Two weeks later it was confirmed that she has an unbalanced translocation of her second and eleventh chromosomes. In genetics, a chromosome translocation is a chromosome abnormality caused by a rearrangement of parts between nonhomologous chromosomes. In Raelyn’s case the translocation caused her 2nd and 11th chromosomes to be unbalanced; that is one side has more or less genes than the other. This is so rare that there are no known cases of it, which means that the genetic specialists as well as doctors, do not know what to expect with her, but they told us that she will have a very short life expectancy. She spent 6 weeks in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit due to breathing, eating, and heart complications. It was during that time that a brain scan and other tests were performed. Tests revealed that Raelyn has complete agenesis of the corpus callosom, heart defects, and eating and swallowing problems due to extreme hypotonia and vocal cord paralysis. A feeding tube was placed and we were released from the hospital to begin learning how to care for a special needs child along with our 3 other children.

As if adjusting to this new life was not hard enough, two weeks later Raelyn began having infantile spasms. The neurologist treated her with Phenobarbital which was keeping the seizures at bay. It was also keeping her highly sedated and stole her personality and her voice. She did not cry or make sounds and slept the majority of the day. It wasn’t until the doctor started weaning the Phenobarbital when Raelyn turned 1, that we realized it was the medicine causing it. He switched the medicines because of the long term effects that Phenobarbital has, including liver

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failure. This medicine change started the progression of Raelyn’s intractable epilepsy and the vicious cycle that the medicines have caused.

The more she seized, the more medicine was increased, and the more the medicine was increased the more she seized. This led to more medicines being added. The infantile spasms progressed to more than 6 types of seizures within less than a year, the worst being the tonic clonics that stop her breathing and tend to end up in status requiring rescue medicines and hospital stays. We have three other children that have had to witness, too many times, their little sister as she stops breathing and wonder if this is the last time they will see her alive, as we call the ambulance. It got to the point that her neurologist said, ‘There is nothing more I can do for her.’ Those words are what sparked our journey with CBD oil.”

And this is where the actions we took, Senator HUTTO, made a difference. This is where our legalization of CBD oil in South Carolina two years ago made a difference in young Raelyn’s life.

“After much research, we started Raelyn on CBD oil on July 29, 2015. Miraculously, Raelyn stopped seizing less than 24 hours later, with only two doses. She remained seizure free for two months. Seizures began again because one of her seizure medicines was too high and so we began the weaning process under her neurologist’s order. Our neurologist has been amazed at Raelyn’s response to CBD oil and has said that, “It is the only thing that seems to work for her.” The more we decrease the pharmaceutical seizure medications, the better Raelyn gets. We went from using nine rescue meds in the month of July, 2015, to only using rescue five times in the last nine months, mostly from Benzodiazepine withdrawal. We have completely removed one seizure medicine and have decreased another by 75%. CBD oil has not only helped with seizure control but it has also kept Raelyn healthy. She spent the first year and a half of her life in and out of the hospital with constant sickness, and in the last nine months on CBD, she has not been in the hospital at all and has only been sick one time. It truly has given her a real chance at life. We are hoping in the very near future to have more options to whole plant cannabis so that we can treat breakthrough seizures without the harmful Benzodiazepines that cause such horrible side effects and withdrawal and to prepare for the good possibility for seizures to increase as Raelyn grows. The results so far on CBD have been life changing. For those who are still wondering, cannabis is medicine.”

I want to thank you for coming today and sharing Raelyn’s story, and letting this Body know how our legalization of CBD oil two years ago

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gave you options for your daughter that you didn’t think you had; ones that pharmaceuticals were not giving to you. And although CBD oil helps, I fully understand that the limitations on the THC component, at 0.9% or less, mitigates or lessens the therapeutic impact that CBD oil can have. So what I’m pushing for, and what we are trying to accomplish here in this Senate, is to have the whole plant and all of the therapeutic aspects of that plant available. So that if a doctor thinks it could be of benefit, if a doctor who is seeing Raelyn makes a diagnosis and thinks it could be helpful, the law does not stand in the way of that doctor prescribing what he or she thinks is in Raelyn’s best interest. It is all about empowering doctors, empowering parents, empowering the patient; letting them figure out what it is that could be of therapeutic benefit. And I would make the argument that there is absolutely no reason in the world for politicians to stand in the way of that doctor-patient relationship. So you coming here today, sharing this story, and letting the members of this Body understand the impact of what we did two years ago on your daughter’s life -- I think it helps them more fully realize the medicinal benefits of cannabis. You being here today and sharing this story is going to go a long way toward us getting this new law passed and allowing for more options to be open for your daughter and for other South Carolinians. So I thank you for being here today. Thank you for your attention.

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

**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senator SCOTT rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Expression of Personal Interest**

Senator CLEARY rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

**Statement by Senator REESE**

On May 18, 2016, it was necessary for me to be out of the Chamber for a short period of time. The vote for S. 277 occurred while I was out. Previously, I had voted for S. 277 on second reading and if I had been able to vote on the final reading, I would have voted for S. 277 again. It passed overwhelmingly with only a couple of “No” votes.

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**RECALLED, AMENDED AND ADOPTED**

S. 1310 -- Senators Malloy and McElveen: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION LOCATED AT THE JUNCTURE OF GREEN LANE AND SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 15 IN LEE COUNTY “ARTHUR BROWN CROSSROADS” AND TO ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

Senator MALLOY asked unanimous consent to make a motion to recall the Concurrent Resolution from the Committee on Transportation.

The Concurrent Resolution was recalled from the Committee on Transportation.

Senator MALLOY asked unanimous consent to make a motion to take the Concurrent Resolution up for immediate consideration.

There was no objection.

The Senate proceeded to a consideration of the Concurrent Resolution.

Senator MALLOY proposed the following amendment (1310R001.DR.GM), which was adopted:

Amend the concurrent resolution, as and if amended, by striking line 23 and inserting:

/ Green Lane and United States Highway 15 in Lee County “Arthur /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

The question then was the adoption of the Concurrent Resolution.

On motion of Senator MALLOY, the Concurrent Resolution was adopted and ordered sent to the House.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

The following were introduced:

S. 1328 -- Senators Cromer, Setzler, Courson, Massey and Shealy: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE RIVER BLUFF HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER TEAM ON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEIR

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COACHES, TEAM, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS ON WINNING THE 2016 AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 1329 -- Senator Grooms: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE MRS. ELAINE LONG LING ON THE OCCASION OF HER EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY AND TO COMMEND HER FOR HER DEVOTION TO FAMILY AND HER MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 1330 -- Senators Courson, Jackson, Sheheen, Scott and McElveen: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION LOCATED AT THE JUNCTURE OF INTERSTATE 77 AND DECKER BOULEVARD IN RICHLAND COUNTY THE "SENATOR JOEL LOURIE INTERCHANGE" AND TO ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

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

S. 1331 -- Senator Reese: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2016, AS "529 DAY" IN THE PALMETTO STATE AND TO ENCOURAGE FAMILIES TO SAVE FOR COLLEGE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FUTURE SCHOLAR 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN.

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The Senate Resolution was introduced and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Senator GROOMS from the Committee on Transportation submitted a favorable with amendment report on:

S. 946 -- Senators Hayes and Alexander: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 56‑5‑2774 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE REGISTERED OWNER OF A VEHICLE THAT UNLAWFULLY OVERTAKES A SCHOOL BUS MAY BE ISSUED A CIVIL

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CITATION IF THE DRIVER OF HIS VEHICLE CAN NOT BE IDENTIFIED BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR A DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING DEVICE MOUNTED ON A SCHOOL BUS, TO PROVIDE THE PROCEDURE WHEREBY THE CITATION MAY BE DISMISSED, AND TO PROVIDE THE PROCEDURE WHEREBY THE CITATION IS ISSUED.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Senator GROOMS from the Committee on Transportation submitted a favorable with amendment report on:

H. 3897 -- Reps. Jefferson, Daning, Crosby and Rivers: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 45 IN BERKELEY COUNTY FROM GETHERS FUNERAL HOME TO GREEN HILL ROAD “WILLIE G. GAMBLE HIGHWAY” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Senator CLEARY from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable with amendment report on:

H. 3952 -- Rep. Bannister: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44‑17‑410, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE EMERGENCY ADMISSION OF A PERSON LIKELY TO CAUSE SERIOUS HARM TO HIMSELF OR OTHERS, SO AS TO ADD A PERSON WHO MAY BECOME GRAVELY DISABLED IF NOT IMMEDIATELY HOSPITALIZED; TO AMEND SECTION 44‑17‑430, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE EXAMINATION UNDER CUSTODY OF A PERSON REQUIRING IMMEDIATE HOSPITALIZATION WHEN EXAMINATION IS NOT OTHERWISE POSSIBLE, SO AS TO ADD A PERSON WHO MAY BECOME GRAVELY DISABLED IF NOT IMMEDIATELY HOSPITALIZED; AND TO AMEND SECTION 44‑17‑440, RELATING TO THE CUSTODY AND TRANSPORT OF A PERSON REQUIRING IMMEDIATE CARE, SO AS TO REQUIRE A STATE OR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WITH CRISIS INTERVENTION TRAINING AND DRESSED IN CIVILIAN

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CLOTHES OR AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN TO TAKE INTO CUSTODY AND TRANSPORT THE PERSON TO THE HOSPITAL.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Senator CLEARY from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable report on:

H. 3999 -- Reps. Henderson, G.M. Smith, Ridgeway and Atwater: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44‑66‑30, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PERSONS WHO MAY MAKE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE CONSENT, SO AS TO CHANGE THE PROCESS FOR CERTAIN RELATIVES AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE THESE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS, TO ADD ADDITIONAL CLASSES OF PERSONS WITH THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THESE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS, TO REQUIRE A BIOETHICS COMMITTEE TO SELECT CERTAIN DECISION MAKERS, TO ENABLE CERTAIN DECISION MAKERS TO CONSULT WITH A SECOND PHYSICIAN BEFORE MAKING A HEALTH CARE DECISION, TO REQUIRE THAT DECISIONS TO WITHHOLD OR WITHDRAW LIFE‑PROLONGING MEASURES BE REVIEWED BY A BIOETHICS COMMITTEE, AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN DOCUMENTATION RELATED TO SELECTION OF A DECISION MAKER.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Senator CLEARY from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable report on:

H. 4124 -- Rep. Pitts: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44‑11‑70, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO APPOINTMENT AND POWERS OF MARSHALS AT STATE MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES, SO AS TO SUBSTITUTE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH FOR MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR MARSHALS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

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Senator CLEARY from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable with amendment report on:

H. 4327 -- Rep. G.M. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 71, TITLE 44, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO HOSPICE PROGRAMS, SO AS TO ADD DEFINITIONS; TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN LICENSING REQUIREMENTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGISTRATION OF MULTIPLE OFFICE LOCATIONS OF LICENSED HOSPICES; TO PROVIDE FOR EXPANSION OF HOSPICE SERVICE AREAS; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO APPROVE APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF MULTIPLE OFFICE LOCATIONS AND FOR EXPANSION OF HOSPICE SERVICE AREAS, WITH EXCEPTIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Senator CLEARY from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable with amendment report on:

H. 4542 -- Reps. McKnight, Clyburn, Cobb‑Hunter, Hill, King, Whipper and Bowers: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 65 TO TITLE 44 TO ENACT THE “EXPERIMENTAL HEALTH CARE TREATMENT LAW” SO AS TO AUTHORIZE ACCESS TO EXPERIMENTAL TREATMENTS FOR PATIENTS WITH AN ADVANCED ILLNESS, TO ESTABLISH CONDITIONS FOR USE OF EXPERIMENTAL TREATMENTS, TO PROHIBIT PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE AND OTHER SANCTIONS OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS SOLELY FOR RECOMMENDING OR PROVIDING AN EXPERIMENTAL TREATMENT, TO CLARIFY DUTIES OF A HEALTH INSURER WITH REGARD TO EXPERIMENTAL TREATMENTS AUTHORIZED BY THIS CHAPTER, TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN ACTIONS BY STATE OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS, TO RESTRICT CERTAIN CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING FROM THE USE OF EXPERIMENTAL TREATMENTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

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Senator CLEARY from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable report on:

H. 4773 -- Reps. Duckworth, Kirby, Jordan, Johnson, Collins, Hill, Brannon, Merrill and Tinkler: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT “MARGY’S LAW”; TO AMEND SECTION 44‑78‑15, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDER ACT, SO AS TO DEFINE THE TERM “DO NOT RESUSCITATE BRACELET”; TO AMEND SECTION 44‑78‑20, RELATING TO THE AVAILABILITY OF DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDERS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES TO THE TERMINALLY ILL, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE AVAILABILITY OF DO NOT RESUSCITATE BRACELETS IN ADDITION TO WRITTEN ORDERS; AND TO AMEND SECTIONS 44‑78‑25, 44‑78‑30, 44‑78‑35, 44‑78‑40, 44‑78‑45, AND 44‑78‑60, ALL RELATING TO MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS IN THE ACT, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Senator CLEARY from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable report on:

H. 5193 -- Rep. Huggins: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44‑130‑30, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PRESCRIPTIONS AND STANDING ORDERS FOR OPIOID ANTIDOTES, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE PRESCRIPTION AND DISPENSING OF OPIOID ANTIDOTES PURSUANT TO A NONPATIENT‑SPECIFIC STANDING ORDER IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**Appointments Reported**

Senator PEELER from the Committee on Medical Affairs submitted a favorable report on:

**Statewide Appointments**

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Board of Podiatry Examiners, with the term to commence March 1, 2016, and to expire March 1, 2020

Lower District Podatrist:

Rahn A. Ravenell, 1198 Dingle Road, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466 *VICE* Paul J. Shromoff

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Received as information.

Reappointment, South Carolina State Board of Pharmacy, with the term to commence June 30, 2016, and to expire June 30, 2022

3rd Congressional District:

Robert C. Hubbard III, 115 Lewis Road, Clemson, SC 29631

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Board of Podiatry Examiners, with the term to commence December 31, 2014, and to expire December 31, 2018

Upper District:

Bradley A. Lindstrom, 203 Allegheny Run, Simpsonville, SC 29681 *VICE* Brandon S. Percival, DPM

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina Board of Long Term Health Care Administrators, with the term to commence June 9, 2013, and to expire June 9, 2016

Residential Care Administrator - 10 beds or less:

Sarah D. Doctor-Greenwade, 751 Mallet Hill Road, Apt. 12108, Columbia, SC 29223 *VICE* Joann James

Received as information.

Reappointment, South Carolina Board of Long Term Health Care Administrators, with the term to commence June 9, 2016, and to expire June 9, 2019

Residential Care Administrator - 10 beds or less:

Sarah D. Doctor-Greenwade, 751 Mallet Hill Road, Apt. 12108, Columbia, SC 29223

Received as information.

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Initial Appointment, South Carolina Board of Long Term Health Care Administrators, with the term to commence June 9, 2014, and to expire June 9, 2017

Residential Care Administrator:

Timothy H. Slice, 171 Elm Creek Drive, Chapin, SC 29036 *VICE* Nikki W. Robertson

Received as information.

Initial Appointment, South Carolina State Board of Nursing, with the term to commence December 31, 2014, and to expire December 31, 2018

2nd Congressional District:

Eric J. Sellers, 213 Eagle Pointe Drive, Chapin, SC 29036 *VICE* Amanda E. Baker

Received as information.

Reappointment, South Carolina State Board of Nursing, with the term to commence December 31, 2016, and to expire December 31, 2020

5th Congressional District:

Samuel H. McNutt Jr., 5909 Hwy. 321 South, Winnsboro, SC 29180

Received as information.

Reappointment, Board of South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, with the term to commence June 30, 2015, and to expire June 30, 2019

3rd Congressional District:

Charles M. Joye II, 1006 North Shore Drive, Anderson, SC 29625

Received as information.

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

**DEBATE INTERRUPTED BY ADJOURNMENT**

S. 1306 -- Senators Grooms and Campbell: A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGNATION OF RESTROOMS, LOCKER ROOMS, SHOWER ROOMS, AND OTHER FACILITIES WHERE STUDENTS MAY BE IN A STATE OF UNDRESS IN THE PRESENCE OF

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OTHER STUDENTS IN THE BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AS BEING FOR THE USE OF MALE STUDENTS OR FEMALE STUDENTS; TO PROHIBIT A PERSON OF ONE SEX FROM USING A RESTROOM, LOCKER ROOM, SHOWER ROOM, OR OTHER FACILITY DESIGNATED FOR USE BY THE OPPOSITE SEX, TO PROVIDE FOR ALTERNATE REST ROOMS, LOCKER ROOMS, SHOWER ROOMS, OR OTHER FACILITIES WHERE STUDENTS MAY BE IN A STATE OF UNDRESS IN THE PRESENCE OF OTHER STUDENTS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT APPLY DURING THE 2016‑2017 SCHOOL YEAR.

Senator HUTTO spoke on the Bill.

**Point of Order**

Senator HUTTO raised the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly placed on the Local Calendar.

Senator HUTTO spoke in favor of the Point of Order.

Senator GROOMS spoke against the Point of Order.

**Point of Order**

Senator LARRY MARTIN raised the Point of Order that the Point of Order raised by Senator HUTTO was out of order in that the PRESIDENT ruled on the identical Point of Order on May 18, 2016.

Senator MALLOY spoke against the Point of Order.

Senator HUTTO spoke against the Point of Order.

Senator LARRY MARTIN spoke in favor of the Point of Order.

The PRESIDENT took the Point of Order under advisement.

**Parliamentary Inquiry**

Senator SHEHEEN made a Parliamentary Inquiry as to the amount of time to debate a local Bill.

Senator COURSON spoke on the Bill.

Senator COURSON moved that the Senate adjourn.

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

**Ayes 20; Nays 15**

**AYES**

Allen Bennett Courson

Gregory Hembree Hutto

Jackson Johnson Kimpson

Lourie Malloy *Matthews, Margie*

McElveen Nicholson Reese

Sabb Scott Setzler

Sheheen Turner

**Total--20**

**NAYS**

Alexander Bright Bryant

Campsen Corbin Davis

Fair Grooms Hayes

*Martin, Larry Martin, Shane* Massey

Shealy Verdin Young

**Total--15**

The Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:32 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.