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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025

(STATEWIDE SESSION)

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The House assembled at 10:00 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk Jr. as follows:

Our thought for today is from Psalm 51: “Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit.”

Let us pray. God of Glory, we praise You for Your mercy that embraces us with hope. You continue to restore within us the power to do the work for the people of South Carolina. Guide us now to do Your will. Continue to bless our defenders of freedom and first responders as they care for us. Look in favor on our World, Nation, President, State, Governor Speaker, Staff, and all who contribute to this great cause. We continue to seek Your blessing on our Armed Forces and especially our men and women who suffer from hidden wounds. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

Rep. BRITTAIN moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Mark Dolbec, which was agreed to.

**STATEMENT BY REP. BAUER**

Rep. BAUER made a statement relative to the contributions and legacy of John V. Furgess Sr.

**Mr. John V. Furgess Sr.**

**A Black History Month Tribute**

John V. Furgess Sr. born on April 15, 1942, in Columbia, South Carolina, was a remarkable individual whose life was defined by service, dedication, and a profound commitment to improving his community. Growing up in the Waverly Community near Allen University, Furgess developed a passion for education and community development. He graduated from C.A. Johnson High School and went on to earn a degree in Business Administration from Allen University, where he formed lifelong friendships and relationships with mentors who would influence his future endeavors.

Furgess's career was marked by his unwavering commitment to public service. One of his most notable contributions was his involvement with the COMET Board of Advisors, Columbia's bus system. His tenure on the COMET Board spanned several years, during which he served as both Chair and Vice Chair. Under his leadership, the board made significant strides in enhancing public transportation in Columbia, ensuring that the bus system was accessible, efficient, and responsive to the needs of the community.

Furgess was instrumental in advocating for improvements to the bus routes, schedules, and overall infrastructure. His efforts were aimed at making public transportation a viable option for all residents, particularly those who relied on it for their daily commutes. He believed that a robust public transportation system was essential for fostering economic growth, reducing traffic congestion, and promoting environmental sustainability. His dedication to this cause was evident in the numerous initiatives and projects he spearheaded while on the board.

Beyond his professional achievements, Furgess was a beloved family man and a respected community leader. He worked as a Postmaster for the United States Postal Service and was actively involved in efforts to establish a public library in Edgewood. His commitment to education and community improvement extended to his support for Allen University, where he was honored as an Alumni Ambassador for his continuous contributions and fundraising efforts.

Recently, on January 17, 2025, John V. Furgess Sr. passed away at the age of 82 in Columbia, SC - His death was a significant loss to the community, and his contributions were honored by the COMET Board of Directors, who rescheduled their January meeting in his memory. Furgess's dedication to public transportation and his advocacy for the community will be remembered and cherished by all who knew him.

Rep. Heather Bauer

**SILENT PRAYER**

The House stood in silent prayer for the family and friends of Mark Dolbec.

**SILENT PRAYER**

The House stood in silent prayer family and friends of John V. Furgess Sr.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

The following was received:

Columbia, S.C., Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Senate respectfully informs your Honorable Body that it concurs in the amendments proposed by the House to S. 332:

S. 332 -- Senators Alexander and Young: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO WELCOME THE NATIONAL COMMANDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, THE HONORABLE JAMES A. LACOURSIERE, AND TO INVITE HIM TO ADDRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION IN THE CHAMBER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT 12:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025.

and has ordered the Bill enrolled for ratification.

Very respectfully,

President

Received as information.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Ballentine | Bannister | Bauer |
| Bernstein | Bowers | Brewer |
| Brittain | Burns | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Chapman | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Collins | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Cromer | Davis |
| Dillard | Duncan | Edgerton |
| Erickson | Forrest | Frank |
| Gagnon | Garvin | Gatch |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Gilreath | Govan | Grant |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Harris | Hart |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Henderson-Myers |
| Hewitt | Hiott | Hixon |
| Holman | Hosey | Howard |
| Huff | J. E. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | J. Moore | T. Moore |
| Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Oremus | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pope | Rankin | Reese |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Sanders | Schuessler | Sessions |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Spann-Wilder |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Teeple |
| Terribile | Vaughan | Weeks |
| Wetmore | White | Whitmire |
| Wickensimer | Williams | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total Present--109**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. CHUMLEY a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. HARDEE a leave of absence for the day due to family medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. BEACH a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. BRADLEY a leave of absence for the day due to a prior legislative commitment.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. CASKEY a leave of absence for the day due to the birth of his child.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. B. J. COX a leave of absence for the day due to business reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. HAYES a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. BAMBERG a leave of absence for the day due to a legislative conflict in his district.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER granted Rep. WILLIS a leave of absence for the day due to medical reasons.

**DOCTOR OF THE DAY**

Announcement was made that Dr. Mark Jones of Florence was the Doctor of the Day for the General Assembly.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Rep. MCCRAVY presented to the House the Ninety-Six High School "Wildcat" Marching Band 1-A State Champions.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Rep. MCCRAVY presented to the House the Cambridge Academy "Cougars" 1-A Division Volleyball State Champions.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Rep. CALHOON presented to the House the Lexington High School "Wildcats" 5-A Baseball State Champions.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Rep. CALHOON presented to the House the Lexington High School 5-A Cheerleading State Champions.

**CO-SPONSORS ADDED AND REMOVED**

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

**“**5.2Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co-sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co-sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member's or co-sponsor's written notification in the House Journal. The removal or addition of a name does not apply to a bill or resolution sponsored by a committee.”

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3034 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | MARTIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3039 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | BERNSTEIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3052 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | SANDERS and DUNCAN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3510 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | YOW and MITCHELL |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3523 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | HIXON, CROMER, GILREATH, OREMUS and HARTZ |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3535 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | MARTIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3542 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | LAWSON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3563 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | CROMER, GILREATH and WEEKS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3564 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | WEEKS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3633 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | M. M. SMITH and DAVIS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3650 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | CRAWFORD and GUEST |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3752 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | GUFFEY |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3778 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | WICKENSIMER |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3798 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | WEEKS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3831 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | DUNCAN, SANDERS, GRANT, HOWARD, BAUER and PEDALINO |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3852 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | ROBBINS |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3968 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | WILLIAMS, SPANN-WILDER, NEESE, COBB-HUNTER, GARVIN, RANKIN, MITCHELL, T. MOORE, BRITTAIN, GUEST and GAGNON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) REMOVED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3864 |
| Date: | REMOVE: |
| 02/13/25 | OREMUS |

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| Bill Number: | H. 3173 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | CALHOON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3195 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | GILLIARD, RIVERS and ANDERSON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3247 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | RIVERS and GOVAN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3276 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | BERNSTEIN |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3292 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | PACE |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3310 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | PACE |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3387 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | LIGON |

**CO-SPONSOR(S) ADDED**

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| Bill Number: | H. 3472 |
| Date: | ADD: |
| 02/13/25 | LIGON |

**S. 282--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

S. 282 -- Senator Zell: A BILL TO PROVIDE THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE CLARENDON COUNTY AERONAUTICS COMMISSION SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CLARENDON COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 100; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Atkinson | Bailey | Bannister |
| Bauer | Bernstein | Bowers |
| Brewer | Brittain | Burns |
| Bustos | Chapman | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Collins | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Cromer | Davis |
| Dillard | Duncan | Edgerton |
| Erickson | Forrest | Frank |
| Gagnon | Garvin | Gatch |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Gilreath |
| Govan | Grant | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Harris | Hartnett | Hartz |
| Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Holman |
| Hosey | Huff | J. L. Johnson |
| Jones | Jordan | Kilmartin |
| King | Kirby | Landing |
| Lawson | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Luck | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | Montgomery |
| T. Moore | Morgan | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Oremus | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pope | Rankin |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Sanders | Schuessler | Sessions |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Spann-Wilder |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Teeple |
| Terribile | Vaughan | Weeks |
| Wetmore | White | Whitmire |
| Wickensimer | Williams | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--100**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**S. 282--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. PEDALINO, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that S. 282 be read the third time tomorrow.

**SENT TO THE SENATE**

The following Bills were taken up, read the third time, and ordered sent to the Senate:

H. 3570 -- Reps. Bannister, Spann-Wilder, W. Newton, Mitchell, Bowers and Calhoon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 8-13-100, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO AMEND "PUBLIC MEMBER" TO INCLUDE A PERSON NOMINATED AND APPOINTED TO A NONCOMPENSATED PART-TIME POSITION ON A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COUNCIL; BY ADDING SECTION 8-13-1100 SO AS TO OUTLINE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR DISCLOSING ECONOMIC INTERESTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 8-13-1110, RELATING TO STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS, SO AS TO ADDRESS AGENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING DISCLOSURE FORMS; BY AMENDING SECTION 8-13-1170, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC MEMBER WHO FILES THE INITIAL STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER NOTICE FROM THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION SHALL NOT BE IN VIOLATION OF CHAPTER 13, TITLE 8; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 8-13-1356, RELATING TO FILING DEADLINES FOR ECONOMIC INTERESTS STATEMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE WHEN CERTAIN CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE MUST FILE A STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS.

H. 3529 -- Reps. W. Newton, Bannister, Caskey, Wooten, Spann-Wilder, Calhoon, Ballentine, Robbins, Mitchell and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 63-3-40, RELATING TO FAMILY COURT JUDGES ELECTED FROM EACH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, SO AS TO INCREASE BY ONE THE NUMBER OF FAMILY COURT JUDGES IN THE NINTH, ELEVENTH, AND FOURTEENTH CIRCUITS.

H. 3020 -- Reps. Rutherford, Mitchell, Pedalino, Taylor, Grant, Atkinson, King and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 63-1-40 AND 63-19-20, BOTH RELATING TO STATUS OFFENSES, SO AS TO ELIMINATE PLAYING A PINBALL MACHINE AS A STATUS OFFENSE; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 63-19-2430 RELATING TO THE PLAYING OF PINBALL MACHINES BY A MINOR.

H. 3432 -- Reps. W. Newton, Mitchell, Yow and T. Moore: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 27-6-20, RELATING TO NONVESTED PROPERTY INTEREST OR POWER OF APPOINTMENT, SO AS TO INCREASE THE TIME AN INTEREST CAN VEST FROM NINETY YEARS TO THREE HUNDRED SIXTY YEARS; BY AMENDING SECTION 27-6-40, RELATING TO REFORMATION OF PROPERTY DISPOSITIONS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE TIME LIMIT FROM NINETY YEARS TO THREE HUNDRED SIXTY YEARS; BY AMENDING SECTION 27-6-60, RELATING TO THE EFFECT OF TIMING OF CREATION OF PROPERTY INTEREST, SO AS TO UPDATE CERTAIN DATES; BY AMENDING SECTION 62-7-504, RELATING TO DISCRETIONARY TRUSTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SITUATIONS IN WHICH A BENEFICIARY OF A TRUST MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED A SETTLOR; BY AMENDING SECTION 62-7-505, RELATING TO CREDITORS' CLAIMS AGAINST A SETTLOR, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN AMOUNTS PAID TO TAXING AUTHORITIES MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED AN AMOUNT THAT MAY BE DISTRIBUTED FOR THE SETTLOR'S BENEFIT; AND BY ADDING SECTION 62-7-508 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN GRANTOR TRUST REIMBURSEMENTS.

H. 3502 -- Reps. Bannister, Rutherford, Caskey, Erickson, Weeks, Davis, Mitchell, Spann-Wilder, Pedalino, Hixon and King: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 63-7-10 AND 63-7-1620, RELATING TO PRINCIPLES OF THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PROCEEDINGS, RESPECTIVELY, SO AS TO CLARIFY THAT LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT MUST ENSURE THAT CHILD WELFARE AND SAFETY ARE THE PREDOMINANT BASIS OF ANY RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS AND THAT LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT HAVE THE SOLE DISCRETION OVER DECISIONS PERTAINING TO CHILD WELFARE PROCEEDINGS.

H. 3196 -- Reps. Erickson, G. M. Smith, B. Newton, Wooten, Mitchell, Pope, Martin, Spann-Wilder, McCravy, Chumley, W. Newton, Gilliam, Collins, Vaughan, Caskey, Terribile, Kilmartin, Magnuson, Haddon, Wetmore, M. M. Smith, Schuessler, Stavrinakis, Sanders, Duncan, Teeple, Grant, Hartnett, Pedalino, Taylor, Hixon, Govan, Calhoon, Ligon, Lawson, Yow, Edgerton, Cromer, Reese, Gilliard, Alexander, Rivers, Oremus, Hartz and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "EDUCATOR ASSISTANCE ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-112 SO AS TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE PERMANENT UNLESS REVOKED OR SUSPENDED AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO RENEWAL, TO PROVIDE NO TEACHER MAY BE REQUIRED TO RENEW A PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE BOARD, AND TO PROVIDE A TEACHER WITH A PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE SHALL CONTINUE TO COMPLETE ONGOING PROFESSIONAL LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT; BY ADDING SECTION 59-101-145 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF DATA BEING COLLECTED UNDER CURRENT PROCEDURES TO REPORT ON CERTAIN POSTSECONDARY MATTERS CONCERNING GRADUATES OF SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND TO REQUIRE THE STREAMLINING OF DATA COLLECTION TIMELINES AND PROCESSES; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-47, RELATING TO POLICIES AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS FOR UNUSED TEACHER LEAVE, SO AS TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL POLICIES THAT ALLOW TEACHERS TO DONATE SUCH UNUSED LEAVE TO A LEAVE BANK FOR OTHER EMPLOYEES, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE POLICIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-410, RELATING TO ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL TEACHER EMPLOYMENT AND ASSIGNMENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE NOTIFICATION MUST INCLUDE CERTAIN SALARY INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS IN THE REQUIRED NOTICE, TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF TENTATIVE TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE PROVIDED NO LATER THAN FOURTEEN CALENDAR DAYS BEFORE THE START OF THE SCHOOL YEAR, AND TO PROHIBIT LIMITATIONS ON TEACHER REASSIGNMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-420, RELATING TO NOTICES CONCERNING ANNUAL TEACHER EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE CONTRACT ACCEPTANCES SUBMITTED BEFORE THE STATUTORY NOTIFICATION DEADLINE MAY BE WITHDRAWN BY SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SALARY SCHEDULE FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR, AND TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS MAY NOT REPORT SUCH WITHDRAWALS AS A BREACH OF CONTRACT; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-1-425, RELATING TO REQUIRED DAYS FOR COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE ANNUAL SCHOOL CALENDAR, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF DAYS TO FOUR, TO PROVIDE DISTRICTS MUST VERIFY COMPLETING OF THE REQUIRED COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN A CERTAIN MANNER, TO PROVIDE TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS MUST BE PROVIDED SELF-DIRECTED FREE TIME TO EVALUATE STUDENT ACADEMIC DATA, INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING, AND CLASSROOM PREPARATION, AND TO REMOVE A TWO-DAY MAXIMUM LIMITATION ON USE OF THESE COLLEGIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS FOR PREPARATION AND OPENING OF SCHOOLS; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-25-530, RELATING TO UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND BREACH OF CONTRACT BY TEACHERS, SO AS TO RECHARACTERIZE CERTAIN ACTIONS AS BEING BREACH OF CONTRACT INSTEAD OF UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT, TO REVISE THE PENALTIES AND CONSEQUENCES FOR SUCH BREACHES OF CONTRACT, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY REPEALING SECTION 59-101-130 RELATING TO HIGH SCHOOLS REPORTING TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION; INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING REPORTING TO HIGH SCHOOLS; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 59-101-140 RELATING TO TABULATION OF REPORTS.

H. 3932 -- Rep. Pedalino: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 7-7-190, RELATING TO DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN CLARENDON COUNTY, SO AS TO SPLIT AN EXISTING PRECINCT AND REDESIGNATE THE MAP NUMBER ON WHICH THE OFFICIAL PRECINCT MAP IS FOUND ON FILE WITH THE REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS OFFICE.

H. 3933 -- Reps. Mitchell and B. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 33-36-1330, RELATING TO APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS, SO AS TO ESTABLISH A SEVEN-MEMBER BOARD AND TO CHANGE THE APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE.

**ORDERED ENROLLED FOR RATIFICATION**

The following Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed and, having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification:

S. 253 -- Senators Peeler, Grooms, Alexander, Turner and Young: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO EXPEND CERTAIN FUNDS TO ENGAGE AN INDEPENDENT COMPLIANCE CONSULTANT FOR REVIEW OF COMPLIANCE OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER, THE OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL, AND THE OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR WITH RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE ALIXPARTNERS FORENSIC ACCOUNTING REPORT AND OTHER RELEVANT RECOMMENDATIONS.

**H. 3558--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3558 -- Reps. Taylor, Pope, Hewitt, B. Newton, Mitchell, Yow and Oremus: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING ARTICLE 23 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 1, RELATING TO CALLS OR APPLICATIONS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDING CONVENTIONS MADE TO CONGRESS, SO AS TO RETITLE THE ARTICLE, AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS AND PROVIDE FOR THE QUALIFICATIONS, APPOINTMENT, OATH, AND DUTIES OF COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED TO REPRESENT THE STATE AT AN ARTICLE V CONVENTION, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

Rep. W. NEWTON moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Tuesday, February 18, which was agreed to.

**H. 3523--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3523 -- Reps. J. E. Johnson, W. Newton, Robbins, Mitchell, Pedalino, Taylor, Long, Bailey, Calhoon, Yow, Weeks, Erickson, Bradley, Hager, Whitmire, Hixon, Cromer, Gilreath, Oremus and Hartz: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-13-135, RELATING TO THE OFFENSE OF RETAIL THEFT AND ASSOCIATED PENALTIES, SO AS TO REVISE NECESSARY DEFINITIONS, TO REVISE THE PREVIOUS OFFENSE OF RETAIL THEFT TO CREATE THE OFFENSES OF ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME AND ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME OF AN AGGRAVATED NATURE, AND TO PROVIDE A GRADUATED PENALTY STRUCTURE.

Rep. J. E. JOHNSON explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 101; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Atkinson | Bailey | Bannister |
| Bauer | Bowers | Brewer |
| Brittain | Burns | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Chapman | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | B. L. Cox | Crawford |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Duncan | Edgerton | Erickson |
| Forrest | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Gilreath | Govan | Grant |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Harris | Hartnett |
| Hartz | Henderson-Myers | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | Huff |
| J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | Montgomery |
| T. Moore | Morgan | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Oremus | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pope | Rankin |
| Reese | Rivers | Robbins |
| Rose | Sanders | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Wetmore | White |
| Whitmire | Wickensimer | Williams |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total--101**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3523--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. J. E. JOHNSON, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3523 be read the third time tomorrow.

**SPEAKER *PRO TEMPORE* IN CHAIR**

**H. 3292--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3292 -- Reps. Hixon, Pedalino, W. Newton, Forrest, B. L. Cox, Erickson, Taylor, Hartz, Atkinson and Pace: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-2-105, RELATING TO GOLF CART PERMITS AND THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES MAY ENACT ORDINANCES TO ALLOW GOLF CARTS TO OPERATE IN DESIGNATED AREAS WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTIONS AT NIGHT.

Rep. HARTNETT explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 98; Nays 1

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bannister | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Bowers | Brewer | Brittain |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Cromer |
| Davis | Dillard | Duncan |
| Edgerton | Erickson | Forrest |
| Gagnon | Garvin | Gatch |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Gilreath |
| Govan | Grant | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Harris | Hartnett | Hartz |
| Henderson-Myers | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Holman | Hosey |
| Howard | Huff | J. E. Johnson |
| J. L. Johnson | Jones | Jordan |
| Kilmartin | King | Kirby |
| Landing | Lawson | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Luck |
| Magnuson | Martin | May |
| McCabe | McDaniel | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | T. Moore | Morgan |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Oremus |
| Pace | Pedalino | Pope |
| Rankin | Reese | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Sanders |
| Schuessler | Sessions | G. M. Smith |
| M. M. Smith | Taylor | Teeple |
| Terribile | Vaughan | Weeks |
| White | Whitmire | Wickensimer |
| Williams | Yow |  |

**Total--98**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| McGinnis |  |  |

**Total--1**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3292--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. HIXON, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3292 be read the third time tomorrow.

**H. 3862--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3862 -- Reps. Erickson, G. M. Smith, Gilliam, Mitchell and M. M. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-40-50, RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PREFERENCES, SO AS TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR ADMISSIONS PREFERENCES, AND TO ADD PROVISIONS CONCERNING STUDENTS WITH MULTIPLE ENROLLMENT PREFERENCES.

The Committee on Education and Public Works proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3862 (LC-3862.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 59-40-50(8)(f) and inserting:

(f) In addition, a charter school located on a federal military installation or base where the appropriate authorities have made buildings, facilities, and grounds on the installation or base available for use by the charter school as its principal location also may give enrollment prioritypreference to otherwise eligible students who are dependents of military personnel living in military housing on the base or installation or who are currently stationed at the base or installation not to exceed fifty percent of the total enrollment of the charter school. This prioritypreference is in addition to the other prioritiespreferences provided by this item, but no child may be counted more than once for purposes of determining the percentage makeup of each prioritypreference;

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 105; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bannister | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Bowers | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Cromer |
| Davis | Dillard | Duncan |
| Edgerton | Erickson | Forrest |
| Frank | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Gilreath | Govan |
| Grant | Guest | Guffey |
| Haddon | Hager | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Henderson-Myers |
| Hewitt | Hiott | Hixon |
| Holman | Hosey | Huff |
| J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | T. Moore | Morgan |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Oremus |
| Pace | Pedalino | Pope |
| Rankin | Reese | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Sanders |
| Schuessler | Sessions | G. M. Smith |
| M. M. Smith | Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis |
| Taylor | Teeple | Terribile |
| Vaughan | Weeks | Wetmore |
| White | Whitmire | Wickensimer |
| Williams | Wooten | Yow |

**Total--105**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3862--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. ERICKSON, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3862 be read the third time tomorrow.

**H. 3195--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3195 -- Reps. Haddon, Pope, Pedalino, Chumley, Taylor, Erickson, Bradley, Hixon, Ligon, Weeks, Oremus, Hartz, Williams, Luck, Gilliard, Rivers and Anderson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59-10-10, RELATING TO STANDARDS FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE, SO AS TO REQUIRE CERTAIN MANDATORY MINIMUM PERIODS FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND OUTDOOR RECESS IN FOUR-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE EACH YEAR IN ADDITION TO OTHER CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE RECESS PERIODS MUST BE HELD INDOORS DURING TIMES OF INCLEMENT WEATHER; BY AMENDING SECTION 59-10-30, RELATING TO PHYSICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITY DIRECTORS AND VOLUNTEERS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND TO REDESIGNATE ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 10, TITLE 59 AS "PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ACTIVITY."

The Committee on Education and Public Works proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3195 (LC-3195.WAB0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

SECTION X. Section 59-29-80(B) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(B) A student may be exempted from physical education requirements by seeking a waiver from the local school board of trustees. The local board may grant such a request based on the following criteria:

(1) The student must present a statement by his attending physician indicating that participation in physical education will jeopardize the student's health and well-being; or

(2)(a) The parent and student must show that the student's attending physical education classes will violate their religious beliefs and would not be merely a matter of personal objection; and

(b) the parent or student must be members of a recognized religious faith that objects to physical education as part of its official doctrine or creed.; or

(3)(a) For students in seventh or eighth grade who seek middle school level physical education credit, a student taking units of ninth grade or higher work for high school credit at an off-campus location; and;

(b) the school has made reasonable efforts to accommodate the student’s participation in physical education.

The local board shall encourage the student to take, as an alternative to physical education, appropriate instruction in health education or other instruction in lifestyle modification if an exemption is granted pursuant to this section.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. ERICKSON proposed the following Amendment No. 2 to H. 3195 (LC-3195.WAB0002H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 59-10-10(A)(3) and inserting:

(3) Every student in four‑year‑old kindergarten through eighth grade must be provided a minimum of twenty minutes of unstructured outdoor recess daily, with allowance for short‑term interruption not to exceed three consecutive school days due to facility and staffing availability, in addition to the time required to meet existing physical education standards of this title and other academic curriculum requirements.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the Bill.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 101; Nays 3

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bauer | Bernstein | Bowers |
| Brewer | Brittain | Burns |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Collins | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Cromer | Davis |
| Dillard | Duncan | Erickson |
| Forrest | Frank | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gatch | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Gilreath |
| Govan | Grant | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Henderson-Myers |
| Hiott | Hixon | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | Huff |
| J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Martin | May |
| McCabe | McCravy | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | Montgomery |
| T. Moore | Morgan | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Oremus | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pope | Rankin |
| Reese | Rivers | Robbins |
| Rose | Sanders | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Wetmore | White |
| Whitmire | Wickensimer | Williams |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total--101**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Edgerton | Harris | Magnuson |

**Total--3**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3195--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. ERICKSON, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3195 be read the third time tomorrow.

Further proceedings were interrupted by expiration of time on the uncontested Calendar.

**RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR**

Rep. TERRIBILE moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was agreed to.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

Rep. W. NEWTON, from the Committee on Judiciary, submitted a favorable report with amendments on:

H. 3431 -- Reps. W. Newton, Wooten, Pope, Martin, Pedalino, McCravy, Bernstein, Guffey, Govan, T. Moore, Erickson, Bradley and Robbins: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 9 TO CHAPTER 5, TITLE 39 SO AS TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS; TO PROVIDE THAT A SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANY MAY NOT PERMIT CERTAIN MINORS TO BE ACCOUNT HOLDERS; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANIES; TO PROVIDE THAT A SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANY SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN PARENTS OR GUARDIANS WITH CERTAIN INFORMATION; TO PROVIDE THAT A SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANY SHALL RESTRICT SOCIAL MEDIA ACCESS TO MINORS DURING CERTAIN HOURS; TO PROVIDE FOR CONSUMER COMPLAINTS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE CONSUMER SERVICES DIVISION HAS AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS; TO PROVIDE FOR AN ANNUAL REPORT; TO PROVIDE FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION; AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN WAIVERS AND LIMITATIONS ARE VOID.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3975 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR H. E. FARDOWSA OSMAN EGAL, MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION IN SOMALIA, AND TO CONGRATULATE HER FOR HER SUCCESSFUL SERVICE TO SOMALIA.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3976 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR PROFESSOR PAUL MAPFUMO, VICE CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ZIMBABWE, AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM FOR HIS SUCCESSFUL SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY, HIS UNIVERSITY, AND HIS STUDENTS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3977 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR MUSTAFA YASIN SHEIKH, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY IN SOMALIA, AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON HIS SUCCESSFUL SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3978 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROMINENT AFRICAN STATESMAN THE HONORABLE LEFOKO MAXWELL MOAGI, IMMEDIATE PAST MINISTER FOR MINERALS AND ENERGY IN BOTSWANA.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3979 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROMINENT AFRICAN EDUCATOR PROFESSOR BARNABAS NAWANGWE, VICE CHANCELLOR OF MAKERERE UNIVERSITY IN UGANDA.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3980 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROMINENT AFRICAN STATESMAN HIS EXCELLENCY SEN. DOUYE DIRI, GOVERNOR OF BAYELSA STATE IN NIGERIA.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3981 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE NANI JUWARA FOR SPEARHEADING THE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCE TRANSFORMATION OF THE GAMBIA AS ITS MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, ENERGY AND MINES.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3982 -- Reps. Garvin, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR 7SUNDAY AND TO EXPRESS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE ONGOING, GENEROUS, AND EFFECTUAL WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3983 -- Reps. Williams, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE ELLON VIVIAN GILLIARD BACOTE OF DARLINGTON COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HER NINETY-THIRD BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3984 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROMINENT AFRICAN BUSINESS LEADER HIGH CHIEF DR. SEINYE LULU-BRIGGS, EXECUTIVE CHAIR OF MONI PULO LIMITED, IN NIGERIA.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3985 -- Reps. Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 20, 2025, AS PACE DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL IN HONOR OF THE PACE CENTER FOR GIRLS' TWENTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE ON BEHALF OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN NEED.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3986 -- Reps. B. J. Cox, Bauer, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SPORT FISH RESTORATION PROGRAM AS PART OF THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF CONSERVATION FUNDING.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3987 -- Reps. Rose, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH OF COLUMBIA ON THE OCCASION OF ITS HISTORIC ONE HUNDRED SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY AND TO COMMEND THE CHURCH FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY AND A HALF OF SERVICE TO GOD AND THE COMMUNITY.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3988 -- Reps. Collins, Caskey, Duncan, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO DECLARE FEBRUARY 15, 2025, AS "VISION QUEST DAY" IN SOUTH CAROLINA, AND HEREBY ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO REALIZE EVERY MINUTE COUNTS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3989 -- Reps. McGinnis, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE CAROLINA FOREST HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS ON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO HONOR THEM FOR WINNING THE 2025 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3990 -- Reps. G. M. Smith and Weeks: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR HARRIETTE "SISTER" HEATH WIMBERLY, FOUNDER OF FRIENDS OF SWAN LAKE GARDENS, UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3991 -- Reps. Wetmore, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE NIGHTS OF MARCH THROUGH MAY AND AUGUST THROUGH OCTOBER AS "LIGHTS OUT NIGHTS IN SOUTH CAROLINA SEASON" AND TO URGE SOUTH CAROLINA RESIDENTS TO TURN OUT NONESSENTIAL LIGHTS AT NIGHT DURING THESE CRITICAL PERIODS IN THE SPRING AND FALL FOR THE PROTECTION OF BIRDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3992 -- Reps. Reese, Rivers, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis, Wooten and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROMINENT AFRICAN AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST SARAH MAE FLEMMING BROWN, A NATIVE OF EASTOVER.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3993 -- Reps. Wooten, Alexander, Anderson, Atkinson, Bailey, Ballentine, Bamberg, Bannister, Bauer, Beach, Bernstein, Bowers, Bradley, Brewer, Brittain, Burns, Bustos, Calhoon, Caskey, Chapman, Chumley, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Collins, B. J. Cox, B. L. Cox, Crawford, Cromer, Davis, Dillard, Duncan, Edgerton, Erickson, Forrest, Frank, Gagnon, Garvin, Gatch, Gibson, Gilliam, Gilliard, Gilreath, Govan, Grant, Guest, Guffey, Haddon, Hager, Hardee, Harris, Hart, Hartnett, Hartz, Hayes, Henderson-Myers, Herbkersman, Hewitt, Hiott, Hixon, Holman, Hosey, Howard, Huff, J. E. Johnson, J. L. Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kilmartin, King, Kirby, Landing, Lawson, Ligon, Long, Lowe, Luck, Magnuson, Martin, May, McCabe, McCravy, McDaniel, McGinnis, Mitchell, Montgomery, J. Moore, T. Moore, Morgan, Moss, Murphy, Neese, B. Newton, W. Newton, Oremus, Pace, Pedalino, Pope, Rankin, Reese, Rivers, Robbins, Rose, Rutherford, Sanders, Schuessler, Sessions, G. M. Smith, M. M. Smith, Spann-Wilder, Stavrinakis, Taylor, Teeple, Terribile, Vaughan, Weeks, Wetmore, White, Whitmire, Wickensimer, Williams, Willis and Yow: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE SODA CITY FOOTBALL CLUB AND COACHES FOR A REMARKABLE SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE FALL 2024 UNITED PREMIER SOCCER LEAGUE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3994 -- Reps. Gilliard, Rivers, Hosey, Cobb-Hunter, Clyburn, Williams, Govan, Spann-Wilder, Bernstein, Henderson-Myers, Garvin, Jones, Bauer and Dillard: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO MEMORIALIZE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE NATION OF SUDAN.

The Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

The following was introduced:

H. 3995 -- Rep. McDaniel: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE BUNYON THOMPSON FAMILY TO FAIRFIELD COUNTY AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF TOMMIE LEE AND EUNICE SHELTON THOMPSON, GETHSEMANE SCHOOL, AND GETHSEMANE BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Concurrent Resolution was agreed to and ordered sent to the Senate.

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following Bills and Joint Resolutions were introduced, read the first time, and referred to appropriate committees:

H. 3996 -- Rep. Sessions: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-1250, RELATING TO SUPERVISION OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST'S ASSISTANTS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST'S ASSISTANTS THAT AN ANESTHESIOLOGIST MAY SUPERVISE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-1240, RELATING TO LICENSURE OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST'S ASSISTANTS, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT LICENSURE APPLICANTS MUST APPEAR BEFORE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND PRESENT EVIDENCE OF CERTAIN RELEVANT ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS AND KNOWLEDGE.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

H. 3997 -- Reps. B. L. Cox, Holman, M. M. Smith and Davis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-1140, RELATING TO INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS, SO AS TO INCLUDE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES WHO MAY BE DEPLOYED IN EMERGENCIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 12-37-220, RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE SURVIVING SPOUSES OF COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES KILLED WHILE DEPLOYED IN EMERGENCIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 42-7-90, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF "FIRST RESPONDER" FOR PURPOSES OF RECEIVING WORKERS' COMPENSATION AWARD PAYMENTS BY THE STATE ACCIDENT FUND, SO AS TO INCLUDE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES WHO MAY BE DEPLOYED IN EMERGENCIES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 44-130-20, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF "FIRST RESPONDER" IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT, SO AS TO INCLUDE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES WHO MAY BE DEPLOYED IN EMERGENCIES.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 3998 -- Rep. Taylor: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 61-6-1600, RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR SALES BY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN INVITEES OF A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION MAY CONSUME ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS SOLD BY THE DRINK.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 3999 -- Reps. Mitchell and Yow: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3, ARTICLE VI AND SECTION 1A, ARTICLE XVII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, BOTH RELATING TO DUAL OFFICE HOLDING, BOTH SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ANY OFFICE HOLDER OR APPOINTEE WHOSE POSITION IS WHOLLY UNCOMPENSATED, EXCEPT FOR PER DIEM AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT AS MAY BE PROVIDED BY LAW, IS EXEMPT FROM DUAL OFFICE HOLDING PROVISIONS.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4000 -- Reps. M. M. Smith, Stavrinakis, B. L. Cox, Davis, Wetmore, Bustos, Teeple, Holman, Spann-Wilder, Kirby, Robbins, Landing, Hartnett, Brewer, Gilliard, Gatch, J. Moore, T. Moore, Murphy and W. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 61-2-100, RELATING TO THE PERSONS ENTITLED TO BE LICENSEES OR PERMITTEES, SO AS TO ADD PERFORMING ARTS AND CONVENTION COMPLEXES; BY AMENDING SECTION 61-4-515, RELATING TO THE PERMIT FOR PURCHASE AND SALE FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION, SO AS TO ADD PERFORMING ARTS AND CONVENTION COMPLEXES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 61-6-2016, RELATING TO THE BIENNIAL LICENSE FOR PURCHASE AND SALE FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION, SO AS TO ADD PERFORMING ARTS AND CONVENTION COMPLEXES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4001 -- Reps. M. M. Smith, B. L. Cox, Davis, Bustos, Holman, Hartnett and Landing: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 61-6-4160, RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION ON THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS ON CERTAIN DAYS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNING BODIES MAY AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS ON SUNDAYS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4002 -- Reps. Burns and Bannister: A BILL TO DEVOLVE ALL OF THE POWERS, DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, ASSETS, AND LIABILITIES OF THE GREATER GREENVILLE SANITATION DISTRICT TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF GREENVILLE COUNTY; AND TO REPEAL ACT 1543 OF 1968, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE CREATION OF THE GREATER GREENVILLE SANITATION DISTRICT.

Referred to Greenville Delegation

H. 4003 -- Reps. Vaughan, Willis, Burns, B. J. Cox and Bannister: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING ACT 1543 OF 1968, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE GREATER GREENVILLE SANITATION DISTRICT TO CONTRACT TO PROVIDE SANITATION SERVICES TO THIRD-PARTIES NOT WITHIN THE DISTRICT, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THIS AUTHORITY, TO ELIMINATE THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSION TO CHARGE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE WITHIN THE DISTRICT, TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ONLY MAY CHARGE A SANITATION FEE, TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION SHALL RETIRE ALL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ONLY MAY ISSUE REVENUE BONDS, TO EXEMPT EXISTING CONTRACTS, AND TO PROVIDE EXISTING CONTRACTS MAY NOT BE RENEWED OR EXTENDED.

Referred to Greenville Delegation

H. 4004 -- Reps. Wooten, Davis, W. Newton, Pope and Brewer: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 56 TO TITLE 46 SO AS TO REGULATE THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF NONALCOHOLIC HEMP-DERIVED BEVERAGES, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4005 -- Reps. Pope, Gilliam, Crawford, Long and Hixon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2930, RELATING TO OPERATING MOTOR VEHICLES WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, SO AS TO AMEND THE PENALTY PROVISIONS TO PERMIT SENTENCES OF BOTH FINES AND INCARCERATION AND TO REQUIRE CONVICTED PERSONS TO ATTEND DUI VICTIM IMPACT PANELS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2933, RELATING TO DRIVING WITH UNLAWFUL ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, SO AS TO PERMIT SENTENCES OF BOTH FINES AND INCARCERATION AND TO REQUIRE CONVICTED PERSONS TO ATTEND DUI VICTIM IMPACT PANELS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2941, RELATING TO IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT PROVIDES NOTHING IN THE SECTION REQUIRES INSTALLATION OF IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES PRIOR TO CONTESTED CASE HEARINGS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2945, RELATING TO THE OFFENSE OF FELONY DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE, SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF FELONY DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SECOND DEGREE, ESTABLISH PENALTIES, AND DEFINE THE TERM "MODERATE BODILY INJURY"; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2947, RELATING TO CHILD ENDANGERMENT, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE OFFENSES OF RECKLESS VEHICULAR HOMICIDE AND RECKLESS DRIVING AS VIOLATIONS SUBJECT TO A CHARGE OF CHILD ENDANGERMENT; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2950, RELATING TO IMPLIED CONSENT TO TESTING FOR ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, SO AS TO REVISE THE CIRCUMSTANCES, PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED, AND TEST SITES THAT CAN BE USED WHEN PERSONS ARE SUBJECTED TO TESTS FOR ALCOHOL OR DRUGS, TO PROVIDE THAT LABORATORY TECHNICIANS, PHLEBOTOMISTS, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS MAY OBTAIN BLOOD OR URINE SAMPLES, TO REVISE THE PERIOD OF SUSPENSIONS OF DRIVING PRIVILEGES THAT MUST BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE IF PERSONS REFUSE TO BE TESTED AND IF PERSONS HAVE CERTAIN ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, TO REVISE THE PROVISION THAT ESTABLISHES ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, AND TO DELETE THE PROVISION RELATING TO PERSONS INCAPABLE OF REFUSING TO CONSENT TO TESTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2951, RELATING TO SUSPENSION OF LICENSES FOR REFUSAL TO SUBMIT TO TESTING OR FOR CERTAIN LEVELS OF ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS ISSUED LICENSE SUSPENSIONS MAY INSTALL IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AND OBTAIN TEMPORARY DRIVERS" LICENSES WITH IGNITION INTERLOCK RESTRICTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS WHO REFUSE TO SUBMIT TO CHEMICAL TESTS MUST HAVE THEIR DRIVERS" LICENSES SUSPENDED FOR ONE YEAR FOR A FIRST OFFENSE, AND TO PROVIDE INCREASED SUSPENSIONS FOR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES, OR IF PERSONS TAKE THE TESTS AND REGISTER ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS OF OVER FIFTEEN ONE-HUNDREDTH OF ONE PERCENT OR MORE, THAT THEIR LICENSES ARE SUSPENDED FOR TWO MONTHS; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2953, RELATING TO INCIDENT SITES AND BREATH TEST SITES FOR VIDEO RECORDING, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT NOTHING IN THIS SECTION MAY BE CONSTRUED TO COMPEL OR AUTHORIZE A DISMISSAL OF A DUI OFFENSE IF THE OFFICERS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLY WITH THE STATUTE AND THAT MOTIONS FOR SUPPRESSION OF EVIDENCE UNDER THE STATUTE MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO JEOPARDY ATTACHING; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-5-2920, RELATING TO RECKLESS DRIVING, SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSES OF FELONY RECKLESS DRIVING WITH GREAT BODILY INJURY AND RECKLESS DRIVING RESULTING IN MODERATE BODILY INJURY AND TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-5-2960 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS CONVICTED OF FELONY DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE CAUSING THE DEATH OR DISABILITY OF PARENTS OR GUARDIANS MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT AS RESTITUTION FOR THE DURATION OF ANY PROBATION ORDERED, PERFORM COMMUNITY SERVICE, OR BOTH; BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-286, RELATING TO THE SUSPENSION OF LICENSES OR PERMITS OR THE DENIAL OF ISSUANCE OF LICENSES OR PERMITS TO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE WHO DRIVE MOTOR VEHICLES WITH CERTAIN ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS ISSUED NOTICES OF SUSPENSIONS MAY OBTAIN TEMPORARY LICENSES WITH IGNITION INTERLOCK RESTRICTIONS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-400, RELATING TO THE SURRENDER OF LICENSES, SO AS TO REMOVE THE PROVISION THAT NOTHING IN THIS SECTION REQUIRES PERSONS OBTAIN IGNITION INTERLOCKS UNLESS THE OFFENSES ARE ALCOHOL RELATED.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4006 -- Reps. Teeple, Crawford, Hartnett, Bustos, B. Newton, Landing, Pope and Guest: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 27-30-350 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MUST BE OPEN; BY ADDING SECTION 27-30-360 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MAY NOT PROHIBIT A PROPERTY OWNER FROM DISPLAYING CERTAIN POLITICAL SIGNS; BY ADDING SECTION 27-30-370 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MAY NOT IMPLEMENT FINES FOR AN EXPIRED TAG ON PARKED VEHICLES; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 27-1-60, RELATING TO THE RIGHTS OF HOMEOWNERS AND TENANTS TO FLY THE UNITED STATES FLAG, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT HOMEOWNERS AND TENANTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO FLY THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FLAG.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4007 -- Reps. Pace, Harris, Frank, Magnuson, Edgerton, White, Cromer and Kilmartin: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 58-31-205 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY TO JOINTLY OWN WITH DOMINION ENERGY SOUTH CAROLINA, INC. ONE OR MORE COMBINED CYCLE NATURAL GAS UNITS AND RELATED FACILITIES AT THE CANADYS SITE, AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry

H. 4008 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Jones, Hosey, McDaniel, J. L. Johnson, Govan, Clyburn, Spann-Wilder, Garvin, Gilliard, Anderson, Alexander, J. Moore and Rutherford: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 6-1-175 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY TO IMPOSE A ONE-TIME IMPACT FEE ON PRIVATE DEVELOPERS FOR EACH NEW RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL UNIT CONSTRUCTED BY THE DEVELOPER WITHIN THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY, TO PROVIDE THAT THE FUNDS MAY BE USED ONLY TO FUND THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENTRIFICATION TRUST FUND, AND TO PROVIDE THAT DEVELOPERS WHO DEDICATE AT LEAST FIFTEEN PERCENT OF THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT TO LOW-INCOME HOUSING ARE EXEMPT FROM THE IMPACT FEE; BY ADDING SECTION 11-11-250 SO AS TO CREATE THE "SOUTH CAROLINA GENTRIFICATION TRUST FUND" TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR RELOCATION TO LOW-INCOME AND FIXED-INCOME INDIVIDUALS, CHURCHES, AND GROUPS ADVERSELY IMPACTED AND DISPLACED BY GENTRIFICATION, AND TO PROVIDE THAT EACH YEAR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE FIVE MILLION DOLLARS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-5060, RELATING TO VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY INDIVIDUALS BY MEANS OF THE INCOME TAX RETURN CHECK OFF, SO AS TO ADD THE "SOUTH CAROLINA GENTRIFICATION TRUST FUND."

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4009 -- Reps. Magnuson, Cromer, Gilreath, Harris, Edgerton, White, Beach, Terribile, Lawson, Rankin, Kilmartin, Morgan, Huff, Pace and Burns: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA MEDICAL FREEDOM ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 141 TO TITLE 44 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT EVERY PERSON HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE MEDICAL PROCEDURES, MEDICAL TREATMENTS, VACCINES, AND OTHER MEDICAL CARE AND TO PROTECT THOSE PERSONS FROM DISCRIMINATION; TO PROTECT HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS FROM DISCIPLINARY ACTION FOR VOICING CONCERNS ABOUT MEDICAL MANDATES OR TREATMENTS OR FOR ADVOCATING FOR PATIENTS' RIGHTS; TO CREATE A CAUSE OF ACTION TO PROTECT HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS EXPERIENCING RETALIATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

H. 4010 -- Reps. Gilreath, Huff, Cromer, Edgerton, Duncan, White, Frank and Kilmartin: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA CLEAN AIR ACT" BY AMENDING SECTION 48-1-110, RELATING IN PART TO UNLAWFUL DISCHARGES OF AIR CONTAMINANTS, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE INTENTIONAL EMISSION OF ANY AIR CONTAMINANT WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO AFFECT TEMPERATURE, WEATHER, OR SUNLIGHT INTENSITY; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 4011 -- Rep. Erickson: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 56-1-70, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY DRIVERS' PERMITS, SO AS TO DELETE THE TERM "TEMPORARY DRIVER'S PERMIT" AND REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "TEMPORARY DRIVING CERTIFICATE," AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATES; AND BY ADDING SECTION 56-1-560 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPEDITED ISSUANCE OF BEGINNERS' PERMITS, DRIVERS' LICENSES, AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works

H. 4012 -- Rep. Hixon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 37-29-110, RELATING TO PALMETTOPRIDE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SO AS TO ADD THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, AS A TWELFTH MEMBER; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 37-29-130, RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS, AND THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FUNDS, BY PALMETTOPRIDE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC FUNDS ALLOCATED TO PALMETTOPRIDE MUST FLOW THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 4013 -- Reps. J. E. Johnson, Gilliam, Bailey and Guest: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 23-1-235 SO AS TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS, TO PROVIDE ONLY CERTAIN ENTITIES MAY USE AN AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READER SYSTEM, AND TO PROVIDE HOW INFORMATION OBTAINED THROUGH THE SYSTEM MAY BE USED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT; AND BY ADDING SECTION 57-3-786 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERMIT CERTAIN CAMERAS USED BY GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES ON NONINTERSTATE HIGHWAY RIGHTS OF WAY.

Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works

H. 4014 -- Rep. Bustos: A BILL TO ABOLISH THE CONSTITUENT DISTRICTS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THEIR RESPECTIVE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES AND TO DELEGATE THE POWERS DEVOLVED UPON THE TRUSTEES OF THE CONSTITUENT DISTRICTS BY ACT 340 OF 1967, AS AMENDED, TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Referred to Charleston Delegation

H. 4015 -- Reps. Henderson-Myers, Hosey, McDaniel, J. L. Johnson, Govan, Clyburn, Spann-Wilder, Garvin, Gilliard, Jones, Alexander, Anderson, J. Moore and Rutherford: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 12-6-3440, RELATING TO THE TAX CREDIT FOR EMPLOYEE CHILDCARE PROGRAMS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM CREDIT AND TO ALLOW THE CREDIT TO BE APPLIED AGAINST OTHER TAXES; AND BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3595 SO AS TO ALLOW A TAX CREDIT FOR INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYERS THAT ARE EMPLOYED FULL TIME AS A CHILDCARE DIRECTOR OR CHILDCARE STAFF PERSON.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

S. 38 -- Senators Campsen and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 7-13-190, RELATING TO SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO FILL VACANCIES IN OFFICE, SO AS TO REQUIRE SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD ONLY ON CERTAIN ENUMERATED DATES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

S. 74 -- Senator Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 17-13-142 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, A CIRCUIT SOLICITOR, OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO REQUIRE THE DISCLOSURE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER RELATED RECORDS BY A PROVIDER OF AN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION SERVICE OR REMOTE COMPUTING SERVICE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

S. 271 -- Senators Alexander, Rankin and Hutto: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO SUSPEND THE PROVISION IN SECTION 58-3-20(C) THAT PROHIBITS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM HOLDING AN ELECTION UNTIL A FINAL DETERMINATION IS MADE BY THE COURTS REGARDING ITS REVIEW OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

**H. 3247--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3247 -- Reps. Haddon, Pope, Spann-Wilder, Garvin, Pedalino, Chumley, Bowers, Hixon, Yow, Mitchell, Ligon, Rivers and Govan: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-462 SO AS TO EXCUSE ABSENCES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS WHEN PARTICIPATING IN CERTAIN WORK-BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCES INCLUDING ORGANIZED COMPETITIONS OR EXHIBITIONS OF FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA (FFA) ORGANIZATIONS OR 4-H PROGRAMS, AND TO PROVIDE STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR OBTAINING AND COMPLETING ASSIGNMENTS MISSED DURING SUCH EXCUSED ABSENCES.

Rep. ERICKSON explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 106; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bauer | Bernstein | Bowers |
| Brewer | Brittain | Burns |
| Calhoon | Chapman | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | Collins | B. L. Cox |
| Crawford | Cromer | Davis |
| Dillard | Duncan | Edgerton |
| Forrest | Frank | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gatch | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Gilreath |
| Govan | Grant | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Harris | Hartnett | Hartz |
| Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman | Hewitt |
| Hiott | Hixon | Holman |
| Hosey | Howard | Huff |
| J. E. Johnson | J. L. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | J. Moore | T. Moore |
| Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Oremus | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pope | Rankin | Reese |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Sanders | Schuessler | Sessions |
| G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith | Spann-Wilder |
| Stavrinakis | Taylor | Teeple |
| Terribile | Vaughan | Weeks |
| Wetmore | White | Whitmire |
| Wickensimer | Williams | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--106**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3247--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. ERICKSON, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3247 be read the third time tomorrow.

**H. 3813--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3813 -- Rep. Hixon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 50-11-430, RELATING TO BEAR HUNTING, SO AS TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO A REGISTERED PARTY DOG HUNT IN GAME ZONE 1.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. KING made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3814--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 3814 -- Rep. Hixon: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE SURFACE WATER STUDY COMMITTEE MAY STUDY THE CURRENT STATE OF GROUNDWATER IN THIS STATE AND TO POSTPONE THE DUE DATE OF THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. KING made the Point of Order that the Joint Resolution was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3430--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3430 -- Reps. B. Newton, Murphy, Caskey, Mitchell, Pope, W. Newton, Bannister, Sessions, Jordan, Robbins, Collins, Martin, Lawson, Wickensimer, Landing, Long, Hiott, Forrest, Sanders, Teeple, Oremus, Hartz, Guest, Pedalino, M. M. Smith, Schuessler, Chapman, Gatch, McGinnis, Neese, Hardee, Ligon, Taylor, Willis, Vaughan, Brittain, Erickson, Bradley, Rankin, Hager, Whitmire, Gilliam, Crawford, Hewitt, Yow and Hixon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 11-7-70 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE STATE AUDITOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; BY AMENDING SECTION 1-3-240, RELATING TO REMOVAL OF OFFICERS BY THE GOVERNOR, SO AS TO ADD THE STATE AUDITOR; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 11-7-10 RELATING TO THE SELECTION OF THE STATE AUDITOR.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. KING made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3798--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3798 -- Reps. Murphy, G. M. Smith, Brewer, T. Moore, Guest, Hager, Yow, Mitchell, W. Newton, Lawson, Stavrinakis, Govan, Erickson, Bradley and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 25-1-180 SO AS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN CRITERIA FOR MILITARY CHAPLAINS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT MILITARY CHAPLAINS HAVE THE PRIVILEGE TO REFUSE TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. KING made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3472--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3472 -- Reps. McCabe, W. Newton, Pedalino, Hixon, Gibson, Gagnon, Calhoon, Mitchell, Yow and Ligon: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 62-3-1201, RELATING TO COLLECTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY BY AFFIDAVIT, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMIT OF AN ESTATE TO FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS; BY AMENDING SECTION 62-3-1203, RELATING TO SMALL ESTATES AND SUMMARY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMIT OF AN ESTATE TO FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 62-3-1204, RELATING TO SMALL ESTATES AND CLOSING BY SWORN STATEMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, SO AS TO INCREASE THE LIMIT OF AN ESTATE TO FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The Committee on Judiciary proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3472 (LC-3472.HA0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 62-3-1201(a)(1) and inserting:

(1) state that the value of the entire probate estate (the decedent’s property passing under the decedent’s will plus the decedent’s property passing by intestacy), wherever located, less liens and encumbrances, does not exceed twenty‑five fiftyforty-five thousand dollars;

Amend the bill further, SECTION 2, by striking Section 62-3-1203(a) and inserting:

(a) If it appears from the inventory and appraisal that the value of the entire probate estate (the decedent’s property passing under the decedent’s will plus the decedent’s property passing by intestacy), less liens and encumbrances, does not exceed twenty‑five fiftyforty-five thousand dollars and exempt property, costs and expenses of administration, reasonable funeral expenses, and reasonable and necessary medical and hospital expenses of the last illness of the decedent, the personal representative, after publishing notice to creditors pursuant to Section 62‑3‑801, but without giving additional notice to creditors, may immediately disburse and distribute the estate to the persons entitled thereto and file a closing statement as provided in Section 62‑3‑1204.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 3, by striking Section 62-3-1204(a)(1)(i) and inserting:

(i) to the best knowledge of the personal representative, the value of the entire probate estate (the decedent’s property passing under the decedent’s will plus the decedent’s property passing by intestacy), less liens and encumbrances, did not exceed twenty‑five fiftyforty-five thousand dollars and exempt property, costs, and expenses of administration, reasonable funeral expenses, and reasonable and necessary medical and hospital expenses of the last illness of the decedent; or

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

SECTION X. Section 62-2-401 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

Section 62-2-401. The surviving spouse of a decedent who was domiciled in this State is entitled from the estate to a value not exceeding twenty-fiveforty-five thousand dollars in excess of any security interests therein in household furniture, automobiles, furnishings, appliances, and personal effects. If there is no surviving spouse, minor or dependent children of the decedent are entitled jointly to the same value. If encumbered chattels are selected and if the value in excess of security interests, plus that of other exempt property, is less than twenty-fiveforty-five thousand dollars, or if there is not twenty-fiveforty-five thousand dollars worth of exempt property in the estate, the spouse or children are entitled to other assets of the estate, if any, to the extent necessary to make up the twenty-fiveforty-five thousand dollar value. Rights to exempt property and assets needed to make up a deficiency of exempt property have priority over all claims against the estate except claims described in Section 62-3-805(a)(1). These rights are in addition to any right of homestead and personal property exemption otherwise granted by law but are chargeable against and not in addition to any benefit or share passing to the surviving spouse or children by the will of the decedent unless otherwise provided, by intestate succession, or by the elective share. Any surviving spouse or minor or dependent children of the decedent who fails to survive the decedent by one hundred twenty hours is deemed to have predeceased the decedent for purposes of this section.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. BERNSTEIN explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 98; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bowers | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Chapman | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | B. L. Cox | Crawford |
| Cromer | Davis | Duncan |
| Edgerton | Erickson | Forrest |
| Frank | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gibson | Gilliard |
| Gilreath | Govan | Guest |
| Guffey | Haddon | Hager |
| Harris | Hartnett | Hartz |
| Henderson-Myers | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Holman | Hosey |
| Howard | Huff | J. E. Johnson |
| Jones | Jordan | Kilmartin |
| King | Kirby | Landing |
| Lawson | Ligon | Long |
| Lowe | Luck | Magnuson |
| Martin | May | McCabe |
| McCravy | McDaniel | McGinnis |
| Mitchell | Montgomery | J. Moore |
| T. Moore | Morgan | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Oremus | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pope | Reese |
| Rivers | Robbins | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Wetmore | White |
| Whitmire | Wickensimer | Williams |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total--98**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3472--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. BERNSTEIN, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3472 be read the third time tomorrow.

**H. 3222--POINT OF ORDER, RULE 5.10 WAIVED PURSUANT TO RULE 5.15, AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3222 -- Reps. Bailey and Chapman: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 4-9-145, RELATING TO LITTER CONTROL OFFICERS, SO AS TO REVISE THE MEANS FOR DETERMINING THE LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF LITTER CONTROL OFFICERS THAT A COUNTY MAY APPOINT AND COMMISSION, AND TO CORRECT AN INCORRECT REFERENCE.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. KING made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**RULE 5.10 WAIVED, PURSUANT TO RULE 5.15**

Rep. HIOTT moved to waive Rule 5.10, pursuant to Rule 5.15, which was agreed to.

Rep. BUSTOS explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 103; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bannister | Bauer | Bernstein |
| Bowers | Brewer | Brittain |
| Burns | Bustos | Calhoon |
| Chapman | Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter |
| Collins | B. L. Cox | Crawford |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Duncan | Edgerton | Erickson |
| Forrest | Frank | Gagnon |
| Garvin | Gatch | Gibson |
| Gilliam | Gilliard | Govan |
| Grant | Guest | Guffey |
| Haddon | Hager | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Henderson-Myers |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Holman | Hosey |
| Huff | J. E. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | Montgomery |
| J. Moore | T. Moore | Morgan |
| Moss | Murphy | Neese |
| B. Newton | W. Newton | Oremus |
| Pace | Pedalino | Pope |
| Rankin | Reese | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Wetmore | Whitmire |
| Wickensimer | Williams | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--103**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**OBJECTION TO MOTION**

Rep. BUSTOS asked unanimous consent that H. 3222 be read a third time tomorrow.

Rep. KING objected.

**H. 3254--ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3254 -- Reps. W. Newton, Erickson and Bradley: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-47-32, RELATING TO SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS AND RELATED CRITERIA REQUIRED OF APPLICANTS FOR PERMANENT MEDICAL LICENSURE BY THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE BOARD MAY WAIVE CERTAIN EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS FOUND TO POSSESS THE GENERAL MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED TO COMPETENTLY PRACTICE MEDICINE.

Rep. SESSIONS explained the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 104; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bauer | Bernstein | Bowers |
| Brewer | Brittain | Burns |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Cromer |
| Davis | Dillard | Duncan |
| Edgerton | Erickson | Forrest |
| Frank | Gagnon | Garvin |
| Gatch | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Gilreath | Govan |
| Grant | Guest | Guffey |
| Haddon | Hager | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Henderson-Myers |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Holman | Hosey |
| Huff | J. E. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | J. Moore | T. Moore |
| Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Pace | Pedalino | Pope |
| Rankin | Reese | Rivers |
| Robbins | Rose | Schuessler |
| Sessions | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Wetmore | White |
| Whitmire | Wickensimer | Williams |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total--104**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3254--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. SESSIONS, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3254 be read the third time tomorrow.

**H. 3510--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3510 -- Reps. Gilliam, Davis, M. M. Smith, Vaughan, Chapman, Kirby, Landing, Bustos, Yow and Mitchell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 25-11-40, RELATING TO COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS OFFICERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE SECRETARY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS SHALL APPOINT ONE COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS OFFICER FOR EACH COUNTY IN THE STATE AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE THE NECESSARY FUNDS FOR TWO FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES IN EACH COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS OFFICE.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. DAVIS made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3563--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3563 -- Reps. Davis, B. J. Cox, Spann-Wilder, McCravy, Taylor, Chapman, Kirby, Cromer, Gilreath and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 25-11-50, RELATING TO COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS OFFICERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE SECRETARY SHALL EVALUATE EACH COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS OFFICE NO LESS THAN ONCE PER YEAR.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. DAVIS made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3564--POINT OF ORDER**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3564 -- Reps. Davis, B. J. Cox, Taylor and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 25-11-100, RELATING TO SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY BASE TASK FORCE, SO AS TO RENAME THE TASK FORCE THE SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY AFFAIRS ADVISORY COUNCIL, TO ADD AIKEN AS A MILITARY COUNTY, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Rep. DAVIS made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

**H. 3022--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3022 -- Reps. M. M. Smith, Guest, Kirby and W. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 43-21-130, RELATING TO THE LONG-TERM CARE COUNCIL, SO AS TO CORRECT REFERENCES TO CERTAIN AGENCIES WITH MEMBERSHIP ON THE COUNCIL; BY AMENDING SECTION 43-21-140, RELATING TO THE PURPOSE AND DUTIES OF COUNCIL, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE SHARING OF DATA WITH MEMBER AGENCIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs proposed the following Amendment No. 1 to H. 3022 (LC-3022.VR0001H), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 43-21-130(A)(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), and (9) and inserting:

(1) the Governor or histheir designee;

(2) the Director of the Department of Social Services or their designee;

(3) the Director of the Department of Public Health and Environmental Control or their designee;

(4) the Director of the Department of Mental Health or their designee;

(5) the Director of the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs or their designee;

(6) the Director of the DivisionDepartment on Aging or their designee;

(7) the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services or their designee;

(8) the Chairman of the Joint Legislative Health Care Planning and Oversight Committee, or his designeethe Director the Secretary of the Department of Veterans’ Affairs or their designee;

(9) the Chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee on Aging, or histheir designee;

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. SESSIONS explained the amendment.

The amendment was then adopted.

The question recurred to the passage of the Bill.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 97; Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bauer | Bernstein | Bowers |
| Brewer | Brittain | Burns |
| Bustos | Calhoon | Chapman |
| Clyburn | Cobb-Hunter | Collins |
| B. L. Cox | Crawford | Cromer |
| Dillard | Duncan | Edgerton |
| Erickson | Forrest | Frank |
| Gagnon | Garvin | Gatch |
| Gibson | Gilliam | Gilliard |
| Gilreath | Govan | Grant |
| Guest | Guffey | Haddon |
| Hager | Harris | Hartnett |
| Hartz | Henderson-Myers | Herbkersman |
| Hewitt | Hiott | Holman |
| Hosey | Huff | J. E. Johnson |
| Jordan | King | Kirby |
| Landing | Lawson | Ligon |
| Long | Lowe | Luck |
| Magnuson | Martin | May |
| McCabe | McCravy | McDaniel |
| McGinnis | Mitchell | J. Moore |
| T. Moore | Morgan | Moss |
| Murphy | Neese | B. Newton |
| W. Newton | Oremus | Pace |
| Pedalino | Pope | Rankin |
| Reese | Rivers | Robbins |
| Rose | Schuessler | Sessions |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Teeple |
| Terribile | Vaughan | Weeks |
| Wetmore | White | Whitmire |
| Wickensimer | Williams | Wooten |
| Yow |  |  |

**Total--97**

Those who voted in the negative are:

**Total--0**

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

STATEMENT FOR JOURNAL

I was temporarily out of the Chamber on constituent business during the vote on H. 3022. If I had been present, I would have voted in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Sylleste Davis

**H. 3022--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. SESSIONS, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3022 be read the third time tomorrow.

**H. 3727--NONCONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS**

The Senate Amendments to the following Bill were taken up for consideration:

H. 3727 -- Rep. W. Newton: A BILL TO ADOPT REVISED CODE VOLUME 9 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, TO THE EXTENT OF ITS CONTENTS, AS THE ONLY GENERAL PERMANENT STATUTORY LAW OF THE STATE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2025.

The yeas and nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 0; Nays 101

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

**Total--0**

Those who voted in the negative are:

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| Anderson | Atkinson | Bailey |
| Bauer | Bowers | Brewer |
| Brittain | Burns | Bustos |
| Calhoon | Chapman | Clyburn |
| Cobb-Hunter | B. L. Cox | Crawford |
| Cromer | Davis | Dillard |
| Duncan | Edgerton | Erickson |
| Forrest | Frank | Gagnon |
| Gatch | Gibson | Gilliam |
| Gilliard | Gilreath | Govan |
| Grant | Guest | Guffey |
| Haddon | Hager | Harris |
| Hartnett | Hartz | Henderson-Myers |
| Herbkersman | Hewitt | Hiott |
| Hixon | Holman | Hosey |
| Huff | J. E. Johnson | Jones |
| Jordan | Kilmartin | King |
| Kirby | Landing | Lawson |
| Ligon | Long | Lowe |
| Luck | Magnuson | Martin |
| May | McCabe | McCravy |
| McDaniel | McGinnis | Mitchell |
| Montgomery | J. Moore | T. Moore |
| Morgan | Moss | Murphy |
| Neese | B. Newton | W. Newton |
| Oremus | Pace | Pedalino |
| Pope | Rankin | Reese |
| Rivers | Robbins | Rose |
| Schuessler | G. M. Smith | M. M. Smith |
| Spann-Wilder | Stavrinakis | Taylor |
| Teeple | Terribile | Vaughan |
| Weeks | Wetmore | White |
| Whitmire | Wickensimer | Williams |
| Wooten | Yow |  |

**Total--101**

The House refused to agree to the Senate Amendments and a message was ordered sent accordingly.

**SENT TO THE SENATE**

The following Bill was taken up, read the third time, and ordered sent to the Senate:

H. 3309 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, Gatch, Herbkersman, Pope, B. Newton, Wooten, Robbins, Mitchell, Chapman, W. Newton, Taylor, Forrest, Hewitt, Kirby, Schuessler, Yow, Long, M. M. Smith, Hardee, Montgomery, Atkinson, Hixon, Ligon, Anderson, Weeks, Willis, Govan and Williams: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA ENERGY SECURITY ACT" BY AMENDING SECTION 58-3-20, RELATING TO THE MEMBERSHIP, ELECTION, AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, SO AS TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OF COMMISSIONERS FROM SEVEN TO THREE TO BE ELECTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM THE STATE AT LARGE; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-3-140, RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION'S POWERS TO REGULATE PUBLIC UTILITIES, SO AS TO ESTABLISH CONSIDERATIONS AND STATE POLICY FOR THE COMMISSION'S DECISION-MAKING PROCESS, TO ESTABLISH A SCHEDULE FOR CERTAIN TESTIMONY AND DISCOVERY IN CONTESTED PROCEEDINGS, TO PERMIT ELECTRICAL UTILITY CUSTOMERS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION AS PUBLIC WITNESSES, AND TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR AN INDEPENDENT THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANT HIRED BY THE COMMISSION; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-3-250, RELATING TO SERVICE OF ORDERS AND DECISIONS ON PARTIES, SO AS TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-4-10, RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF AND ITS REPRESENTATION OF PUBLIC INTEREST BEFORE THE COMMISSION, SO AS TO ESTABLISH ITS CONSIDERATIONS FOR PUBLIC INTEREST; BY ADDING SECTION 58-4-150 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE STATE ENERGY ASSESSMENT AND ACTION PLAN AND TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS PLAN; BY ADDING CHAPTER 38 TO TITLE 58 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA ENERGY POLICY RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE; BY ADDING SECTION 58-33-195 SO AS TO ENCOURAGE DOMINION ENERGY, THE PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY, DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, AND DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS TO EVALUATE CERTAIN ELECTRICAL GENERATION FACILITIES AND PROVIDE FOR CONSIDERATIONS RELATED TO THESE FACILITIES; BY ADDING SECTION 58-31-205 SO AS TO PERMIT THE PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY TO JOINTLY OWN ELECTRICAL GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION FACILITIES WITH INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC UTILITIES, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR JOINT OWNERSHIP; BY AMENDING ARTICLE 9 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 13, RELATING TO THE GOVERNOR'S NUCLEAR ADVISORY COUNCIL, SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE COUNCIL IN THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF, TO PROVIDE FOR ITS DUTIES AND MEMBERSHIP, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE COUNCIL'S DIRECTOR; BY AMENDING SECTION 37-6-604, RELATING TO THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE'S INTERVENTION ON MATTERS FILED AT THE COMMISSION, SO AS TO TRANSFER THESE DUTIES TO THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF; BY ADDING SECTION 58-33-196 SO AS TO ENCOURAGE CONSIDERATION OF DEPLOYMENT OF NUCLEAR FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS; BY ADDING SECTION 58-37-70 SO AS TO PERMIT A SMALL MODULAR NUCLEAR PILOT PROGRAM AND TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS; BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 37, TITLE 58 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR STATE AGENCY REVIEW OF ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT APPLICATIONS AND TO PROVIDE A SUNSET, AND BY ADDING ARTICLE 1 TO CHAPTER 37 TO INCLUDE ALL OTHER SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 37; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-40-10, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF "CUSTOMER-GENERATOR," SO AS TO ESTABLISH CHARACTERISTICS FOR A "CUSTOMER-GENERATOR"; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-41-30, RELATING TO VOLUNTARY RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAMS, SO AS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND CONSIDERATIONS FOR THESE PROGRAMS; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-41-10, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD THE DEFINITION OF "ENERGY STORAGE FACILITIES"; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-41-20, RELATING TO PROCEEDINGS FOR ELECTRICAL UTILITIES' AVOIDED COST METHODOLOGIES AND RELATED PROCESSES, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY, CAPACITY, AND STORAGE, TO PERMIT COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY CAPACITY AND ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS, AND TO DELETE LANGUAGE REGARDING THE COMMISSION HIRING THIRD-PARTY EXPERTS FOR THESE PROCEEDINGS; BY ADDING SECTION 58-41-25 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A PROCESS FOR COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-33-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD THE DEFINITION "LIKE FACILITY" AND AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF "MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY"; BY AMENDING ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 33, TITLE 58, RELATING TO CERTIFICATION OF MAJOR UTILITY FACILITIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A LIKE FACILITY, TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS AND CONSIDERATIONS FOR PROPOSED FACILITIES, TO PROVIDE WHAT ACTIONS MAY BE TAKEN WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM THE COMMISSION, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-37-40, RELATING TO INTEGRATED RESOURCES PLANS, SO AS TO ADD CONSIDERATION OF A UTILITY'S TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RESOURCE PLAN, TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS AND EVALUATION BY THE COMMISSION, AND REQUIRE PARTIES TO BEAR THEIR OWN COSTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-3-260, RELATING TO COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE COMMISSION AND PARTIES, SO AS TO MODIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR ALLOWABLE EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND BRIEFINGS, AND TO PERMIT COMMISSION TOURS OF UTILITY PLANTS OR OTHER FACILITIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-3-270, RELATING TO EX PARTE COMMUNICATION COMPLAINT PROCEEDINGS AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, SO AS TO PERMIT AN ORDER TOLLING ANY DEADLINES ON A PROCEEDING SUBJECT TO A COMPLAINT TO THE EXTENT THE PROCEEDING WAS PREJUDICED SO THAT THE COMMISSION COULD NOT CONSIDER THE MATTER IMPARTIALLY; BY ADDING CHAPTER 43 TO TITLE 58 SO AS TO ESTABLISH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATES FOR ELECTRICAL UTILITIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-33-310, RELATING TO AN APPEAL FROM A FINAL ORDER OR DECISION OF THE COMMISSION, SO AS TO REQUIRE A FINAL ORDER ISSUED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 33, TITLE 58 BE IMMEDIATELY APPEALABLE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXPEDITED HEARING; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-33-320, RELATING TO JOINT HEARINGS AND JOINT INVESTIGATIONS, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE; BY ADDING SECTION 58-4-160 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO EVALUATE ESTABLISHING A THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-37-10, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO ADD A REFERENCE TO "DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM" AND PROVIDE DEFINITIONS FOR "COST-EFFECTIVE" AND "DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT PILOT PROGRAM"; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-37-20, RELATING TO COMMISSION PROCEDURES ENCOURAGING ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, SO AS TO EXPAND COMMISSION CONSIDERATIONS FOR COST-EFFECTIVE, DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, AND REQUIRE EACH INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRICAL UTILITY TO SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION REGARDING ITS DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-37-30, RELATING TO REPORTS ON DEMAND-SIDE ACTIVITIES, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE; BY ADDING SECTION 58-37-35 SO AS TO PERMIT PROGRAMS AND CUSTOMER INCENTIVES TO ENCOURAGE OR PROMOTE DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS FOR CUSTOMER-SITED DISTRIBUTION RESOURCES, AND TO PROVIDE CONSIDERATIONS FOR THESE PROGRAMS; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-37-50, RELATING TO AGREEMENTS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION MEASURES, SO AS TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN TERMS AND RATE RECOVERY FOR AGREEMENTS FOR FINANCING AND INSTALLING ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION MEASURES, AND FOR APPLICATION TO A RESIDENCE OCCUPIED BEFORE THE MEASURES ARE TAKEN; BY ADDING SECTION 58-31-215 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TO SERVE AS AN ANCHOR SUBSCRIBER OF NATURAL GAS AND PIPELINE CAPACITY FOR THIS STATE, TO ESTABLISH THE "ENERGY INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND," AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED REQUIREMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-3-70, RELATING TO COMPENSATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION MEMBERS, SO AS TO ESTABLISH SALARIES IN AMOUNTS EQUAL TO NINETY-SEVEN AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF SUPREME COURT ASSOCIATE JUSTICES; BY ADDING SECTION 58-41-50 SO AS TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS AND CONSIDERATION FOR CO-LOCATED RESOURCES BETWEEN A UTILITY AND ITS CUSTOMER UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; BY ADDING SECTION 58-4-15 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY WITHIN THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF AND TO TRANSFER THE DUTIES OF THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER ADVOCACY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS TO THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF; BY AMENDING SECTION 58-40-10, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, SO AS TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**H. 3007--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 3007 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, W. Newton, Taylor, B. Newton, Pope, Pedalino, Hixon, Robbins, Mitchell, Yow and Ligon: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO MAKE APPLICATION BY THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION FOR A CONVENTION OF THE STATES TO BE CALLED, RESTRICTED TO PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE FISCAL RESTRAINTS ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH A BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Concurrent Resolution until Tuesday, February 18, which was agreed to.

**H. 3008--DEBATE ADJOURNED**

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 3008 -- Reps. Forrest, G. M. Smith, W. Newton, Wooten, Pope, Pedalino, Taylor, Hixon, Davis, M. M. Smith, Teeple, Robbins, Mitchell, Yow and Ligon: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR A CONVENTION UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION IN ORDER TO PROPOSE A CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS AMENDMENT.

Rep. HIOTT moved to adjourn debate on the Concurrent Resolution until Tuesday, February 18, which was agreed to.

Rep. ANDERSON moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 11:53 a.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. BRITTAIN, adjourned in memory of Mark Dolbec, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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