SENATE TO MEET AT 11:00 A.M. TODAY

**NO. 18**

**CALENDAR**

OF THE

**SENATE**

OF THE

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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**REGULAR SESSION BEGINNING TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025**

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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025**

**Thursday, February 13, 2025**

JOINT ASSEMBLY

(Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 12:30 P.M.)

S. 332--Senators Alexander and Young: 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 TO WELCOME THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT, THE HONORABLE JOHN W. KITTREDGE, AND TO INVITE HIM TO ADDRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOLLOWING THE ADDRESS OF THE HONORABLE JAMES A. LACOURSIERE.

(Adopted--February 11, 2025)

INVITATIONS

**Thursday, February 13, 2025 – 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA ARTS ALLIANCE**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Thursday, February 13, 2025 – 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Luncheon, State House Grounds, hosted by **THE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Tuesday, February 18, 2025 – 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Members, Reception, Halls Chophouse, hosted by the **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE & FINANCIAL ADVISORS**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Tuesday, February 18, 2025 – 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, hosted by the **LEXINGTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION "LEXINGTON COUNTY NIGHT"**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Tuesday, February 18, 2025 – 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA CRAFT DISTILLERS GUILD**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 19, 2025 – 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 19, 2025 – 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Members, Lunch, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **INDEPENDENT BANKS OF SOUTH CAROLINA (IBSC)**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 19, 2025 – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 19, 2025 – 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, The Palmetto Club, hosted by the **HISTORIC MITCHELVILLE FREEDOM PARK**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 19, 2025 – 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, Bourbon, 1214 Main Street, hosted by the **THE BIG RED BARN**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Thursday, February 20, 2025 – 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **FORESTRY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Tuesday, February 25, 2025 – 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, 701 Whaley Street, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA CONSERVATION COALITION “OYSTER ROAST”**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Tuesday, February 25, 2025 – 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members, Staff, and Families, Reception, South Carolina State Museum, 301 Gervais Street, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA STATE MUSEUM**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Tuesday, February 25, 2025 – 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, hosted by the **MYRTLE BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE “MYRTLE BEACH NIGHT”**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 26, 2025 – 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members and Staff, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY CANCER ACTION NETWORK**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 26, 2025 – 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Members, Luncheon, State House Grounds, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 26, 2025 – 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Reception, Washington Place, 1208 Washington Street, hosted by the **ASSOCIATION OF ABC STORES OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Wednesday, February 26, 2025 – 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Members, Reception, Columbia Museum of Art, 1515 Main Street, hosted by **TOGETHER SC**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Thursday, February 27, 2025 – 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.**

Members, Breakfast, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **SOUTH CAROLINA LAND TRUST NETWORK**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**Thursday, February 27, 2025 – 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Members and Staff, Luncheon, 112 Blatt Building, hosted by the **SC STUDENT LOAN CORPORATION**

(Accepted-January 29, 2025)

**UNCONTESTED LOCAL**

SECOND READING BILL

S. 213--Senator Turner: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 919 OF 1928, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE GREENVILLE AIRPORT COMMISSION, SO AS TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS TO TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS.

(Without reference--January 15, 2025)

MOTION PERIOD

STATEWIDE THIRD READING BILL

S. 29--Senators Hutto, Reichenbach, Goldfinch, Leber, Jackson, Alexander, Rice, Fernandez, Campsen, Chaplin, Devine, Adams, Young, Garrett, Elliott, Turner, Ott, Graham, Cromer, Verdin and Kennedy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16‑15‑375, RELATING TO THE DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO THE DISSEMINATION OF HARMFUL MATERIAL TO MINORS, SO AS TO DEFINE IDENTIFIABLE MINOR AND MORPHED IMAGE AS AN OFFENSE; BY AMENDING SECTION 16‑15‑395, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF FIRST DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE CHILDREN; BY AMENDING SECTION 16‑15‑405, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF SECOND DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE CHILDREN; BY AMENDING SECTION 16‑15‑410, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF THIRD DEGREE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, SO AS TO INCLUDE MORPHED IMAGES OF IDENTIFIABLE CHILDREN AS AN OFFENS; BY AMENDING SECTION 23‑3‑430, RELATING TO SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, SO AS TO INCLUDE THOSE GUILTY OF CRIMINAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR IN THE FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD DEGREE AS A TIER II OFFENDER; BY AMENDING SECTION 23‑3‑430, RELATING TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, SO AS TO INCLUDE THOSE GUILTY OF CRIMINAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR IN THE FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD DEGREE AS A TIER II OFFENDER; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 23‑3‑462, RELATING TO TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 05, 2025)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--February 12, 2025)

(Amended--February 12, 2025)

(Read the second time--February 12, 2025)

(Ayes 40, Nays 0--February 12, 2025)

STATEWIDE SECOND READING BILLS

S. 26--Senator Hutto: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 50‑21‑107 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT OWNERS OF WATERCRAFT OF MORE THAN SEVENTY HORSEPOWER MUST CARRY LIABILITY INSURANCE OF AT LEAST FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF COVERAGE PER OCCURRENCE, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF FINES.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry--January 29, 2025)

(Favorable)

(Amendment proposed--February 11, 2025)

(Document No. SEDU-26.DB0002S)

(Contested by Senator Hembree)

S. 28--Senators Hutto, Reichenbach, Goldfinch, Leber, Jackson, Alexander, Rice, Fernandez, Campsen, Chaplin, Devine, Adams, Young, Garrett, Elliott, Turner, Ott, Graham, Sutton, Cromer, Verdin and Kennedy: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 16‑15‑390 SO AS TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF OBSCENE VISUAL REPRESENTATIONS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE, DEFINE TERMS, AND ESTABLISH PENALTIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 23‑3‑430, RELATING TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY, SO AS TO ADD THE OFFENSE OF OBSCENE VISUAL REPRESENTATIONS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 23‑3‑462, RELATING TO TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 05, 2025)

(Favorable with amendments)

(Committee Amendment Adopted--February 11, 2025)

(Amended--February 11, 2025)

(Amended--February 12, 2025)

S. 35--Senators Campsen, Grooms, Rice and Kimbrell: A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7, ARTICLE VI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS OF THIS STATE, SO AS TO DELETE THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL FROM THE LIST OF CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL PROVIDE BY LAW THE DUTIES OF THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL; PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 12, ARTICLE IV OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RELATING TO DISABILITY OF THE GOVERNOR, SO AS TO REMOVE THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL AS AN OFFICER WHO, ALONG WITH OTHER OFFICERS, MAY CAUSE THE GOVERNOR TO BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE; AND PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 13, ARTICLE X OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RELATING TO BONDED INDEBTEDNESS OF THE STATE, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE GOVERNOR PERFORM THE FORMER DUTIES OF THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 05, 2025)

(Favorable)

S. 143--Senators Devine and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 20‑4‑20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE, SO AS TO INCLUDE PERSONS WHO ARE OR WERE DATING TO THE LIST OF PERSONS DEFINED AS “HOUSEHOLD MEMBER”; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 20‑4‑40, RELATING TO PETITIONS FOR AN ORDER OF PROTECTION, SO AS TO INCLUDE A PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL COUNSEL, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ADULT AS A PERSON WHO CAN PETITION ON BEHALF OF MINORS IN THE PERSON’S HOUSEHOLD.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 05, 2025)

(Favorable)

S. 180--Senator Hutto: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 20‑4‑20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE, SO AS TO INCLUDE PERSONS WHO ARE OR WERE DATING TO THE LIST OF PERSONS DEFINED AS “HOUSEHOLD MEMBER”; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 20‑4‑40, RELATING TO PETITIONS FOR AN ORDER OF PROTECTION, SO AS TO INCLUDE A PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL COUNSEL, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ADULT AS A PERSON WHO CAN PETITION ON BEHALF MINORS IN THE PERSON’S HOUSEHOLD.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Judiciary--February 05, 2025)

(Favorable)

S. 77--Senators Hembree, Grooms and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-85 SO AS TO PROMOTE PUBLIC ACCESS TO SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS BY REQUIRING SCHOOL BOARDS TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES THAT PROVIDE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF SUCH MEETINGS AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT MUST BE IMPLEMENTED BY JULY 1, 2025.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Education--February 12, 2025)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 78--Senators Hembree, Young and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-60 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL'S PRIOR WORK EXPERIENCE MAY BE AWARDED ON AN INITIAL TEACHING CERTIFICATE IF THE PRIOR EXPERIENCE IS IN OR RELATED TO THE CONTENT FIELD OF THE CERTIFICATE, AND TO PROVIDE THAT EXISTING CERTIFICATE HOLDERS MAY RECEIVE CREDIT FOR PRIOR WORK EXPERIENCE.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Education--February 12, 2025)

(Favorable with amendments)

S. 169--Senator Hembree: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59‑150‑70, RELATING TO TEMPORARY REGULATIONS, INITIAL AVAILABILITY OF TICKETS, AND ALTERNATE USE FOR NONWINNING TICKETS, SO AS TO PROHIBIT LOTTERY SALES BY CHECKS, CREDIT CARDS, CHARGE CARDS, OR OTHER FORM OF DEFERRED PAYMENT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 59‑150‑210, RELATING TO SALES RESTRICTIONS, SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT ALL LOTTERY SALES MUST BE MADE IN PERSON AT LICENSED LOTTERY RETAILERS OR LOCATIONS APPROVED BY THE LOTTERY COMMISSION AND FURTHER PROHIBITING THE USE OF LOTTERY COURIER SERVICES.

(Read the first time--January 14, 2025)

(Reported by Committee on Education--February 12, 2025)

(Favorable with amendments)

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