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HIGHER EDUCATION

S 0025 General Bill, By Hutto, Setzler, Jackson, Nicholson, Scott, Johnson, Kimpson, McElveen, Sabb, Fanning and Harpootlian

Summary: SC Promise Scholarship Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 11 TO CHAPTER 111, TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION SHALL ADMINISTER THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE RELATED POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS.

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01/08/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 50)
01/08/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Finance (Senate Journal-page 50)

S 0033 General Bill, By Grooms and Campsen

Summary: Campus Free Expression Act

A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 101, TITLE 59 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO COLLEGES AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, GENERALLY, BY ADDING ARTICLE 4, TO ENACT THE CAMPUS FREE EXPRESSION ACT, TO PROVIDE THAT OUTDOOR AREAS OF CAMPUSES OF PUBLIC COLLEGES AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THIS STATE SHALL BE DEEMED TRADITIONAL PUBLIC FORUMS, TO PROVIDE THAT ANY PERSON WISHING TO ENGAGE IN NONCOMMERCIAL EXPRESSIVE ACTIVITY ON CAMPUS SHALL BE PERMITTED TO DO SO FREELY UNLESS THE PERSON'S CONDUCT IS UNLAWFUL OR MATERIALLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY DISRUPTS THE FUNCTIONING OF THE INSTITUTION, TO PROVIDE FOR PERMISSIBLE RESTRICTIONS THAT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING MAY PLACE IN CERTAIN AREAS, TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING SHALL INCLUDE A RANGE OF DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS FOR ANYONE WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION WHO MATERIALLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY INTERFERES WITH THE FREE EXPRESSION OF OTHERS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF EACH STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING SHALL DEVELOP AND ADOPT A POLICY ON FREE EXPRESSION BY JANUARY 1, 2020, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTENTS OF SUCH POLICY, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND PERSONS WHOSE EXPRESSIVE RIGHTS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED BY A VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE MAY BRING AN ACTION IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO ENJOIN ANY VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE OR TO RECOVER COMPENSATORY DAMAGES, REASONABLE COURT COSTS, AND ATTORNEYS’ FEES, TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD OF EACH PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING SHALL ISSUE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE HANDLING OF FREE SPEECH ISSUES WITHIN ITS RESPECTIVE INSTITUTION, TO PROVIDE FOR EXCLUSIONS TO THIS ARTICLE, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

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S 0035 General Bill, By Grooms, Campsen, Verdin and Corbin

Similar (H 4296)

Summary: Reinforcing College Education on America's Constitutional Heritage Act or REACH Act

A BILL TO ENACT THE "REINFORCING COLLEGE EDUCATION ON AMERICA'S CONSTITUTIONAL HERITAGE ACT" OR THE "REACH ACT", TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120(A), RELATING TO THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION REQUISITE FOR GRADUATION, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, AND THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE TO EACH STUDENT FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-130, RELATING TO THE DURATION OF INSTRUCTION IN THE ESSENTIALS OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, TO
PROVIDE THAT EACH INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, AND THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE TO EACH UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT FOR THREE SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 59-29-140, RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

S 0049 Joint Resolution, By Malloy
Summary: Officer qualification

A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1, ARTICLE XVII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFICERS, TO EXEMPT MEMBERS OF COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FROM THE REQUIREMENT THAT THEY POSSESS THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR, AND TO REMOVE ARCHAIC REFERENCES.

S 0068 General Bill, By Malloy
Summary: SC College and University Board of Regents

A BILL TO AMEND TITLE 59 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO EDUCATION, BY ADDING CHAPTER 138, TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS AND PROVIDE FOR ITS MEMBERSHIP, POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES; TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMINOLOGY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE SERVICE OF TRUSTEES OR MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS; TO PROVIDE THAT, ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, THE POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STATE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION, NOT INCONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER 138, TITLE 59, ARE DEVOLVED UPON THE SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 59-53-10, RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION, AND SECTION 59-103-10, RELATING TO THE STATE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION.

S 0087 General Bill, By Campsen
Summary: Religious freedom for student associations
A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 1, TITLE 59 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO FREEDOM OF RELIGION FOR STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS, BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-436, TO PROVIDE THAT NO PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING SHALL TAKE ANY ACTION OR ENFORCE ANY POLICY THAT DENIES A RELIGIOUS STUDENT ASSOCIATION ANY BENEFIT AVAILABLE TO ANY OTHER STUDENT ASSOCIATION BASED ON THE RELIGIOUS STUDENT ASSOCIATION’S REQUIREMENT THAT ITS LEADERS OR MEMBERS ADHERE TO ITS SINCERELY HELD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS OR STANDARDS OF CONDUCT; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

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S 0114 General Bill, By Massey
Summary: Scholarships

A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 111, TITLE 59 OF THE 1976 CODE, BY ADDING SECTION 59-111-190, TO PROVIDE THAT A SOUTH CAROLINA RESIDENT WHO OTHERWISE QUALIFIES FOR THE LIFE, HOPE, OR PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP BUT WHO ATTENDS SCHOOL IN ANOTHER STATE BECAUSE NO PUBLIC COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY OFFERS HIS CHOSEN MAJOR SHALL RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR WHICH HE QUALIFIES TO BE USED FOR PAYMENT OF TUITION AT THE OUT-OF-STATE INSTITUTION.

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S 0143 General Bill, By Scott
Summary: Board of Education and Commission on Higher Ed.

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-26-20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTS THAT INTEND ON BECOMING CERTIFIED TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN THE STATE IN AREAS OF CRITICAL NEED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-149-10, RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE INCENTIVES FOR FUTURE EXCELLENCE (LIFE) SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE AMOUNT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP BASED ON THE STUDENT’S HOUSEHOLD INCOME; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-370, RELATING TO THE SC HOPE SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP TO THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND TO PROVIDE THAT A STUDENT IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP IF HIS ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

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S 0212 General Bill, By Young
Summary: Tuition rates for veterans

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-112-50(C)(2) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF “COVERED INDIVIDUAL” FOR THE PURPOSES OF IN-STATE TUITION AND FEES FOR CHILDREN AND SPOUSES OF VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEFINITION INCLUDES A CHILD OR SPOUSE ENROLLING WITHIN THREE YEARS OF A VETERAN’S DISCHARGE PROVIDED THAT THE CHILD OR SPOUSE WHO IS ENTITLED TO AND RECEIVING ASSISTANCE UNDER SECTION 3319, TITLE 38 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, A CHILD OR SPOUSE OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL WHO IS ENTITLED TO AND RECEIVING ASSISTANCE UNDER SECTION 3319, TITLE 38 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, AND A CHILD OR SPOUSE OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY WHO IS ENTITLED TO AND RECEIVING ASSISTANCE UNDER
SECTION 3311(b)(9), TITLE 38 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-112-50(C)(4), TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT BEYOND THE THREE YEAR INITIAL ELIGIBILITY PERIOD.

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S°0228 (Rat #0003, Act #0002 of 2019) General Bill, By Gambrell

Similar (H 3105)

Summary: Technical College Enterprise Campus Authorities

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 59-53-2410, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE TECHNICAL COLLEGE ENTERPRISE CAMPUS AUTHORITIES, SO AS TO CREATE THE TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE ENTERPRISE CAMPUS AUTHORITY. - ratified title

12/12/18 Senate Prefiled
12/12/18 Senate Referred to Committee on Education
01/08/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 142)
01/08/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 142)
01/23/19 Senate Committee report: Favorable Education (Senate Journal-page 9)
01/29/19 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal-page 29)
01/29/19 Senate Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 29)
01/30/19 Senate Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 11)
01/31/19 House Introduced, read first time, placed on calendar without reference (House Journal-page 62)
02/06/19 House Debate adjourned until Thur., 2-7-19 (House Journal-page 75)
02/07/19 House Requests for debate-Rep(s). King, McDaniel, S. Williams (House Journal-page 12)
02/07/19 House Read second time (House Journal-page 12)
02/07/19 House Roll call Yeas-100 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 12)
02/07/19 House Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 14)
02/08/19 House Read third time and enrolled (House Journal-page 1)
02/20/19 Ratified R 3
02/21/19 Signed By Governor
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03/04/19 Act No. 2

S 0275 General Bill, By Senn

Summary: School threat communications

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-17-425 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO COMMUNICATION OF THREATS BY A STUDENT OF A SCHOOL OR COLLEGE, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR A PERSON WHO MAKES THREATS TO TAKE THE LIFE OF OR INFlict BODILY HARM UPON ANOTHER AT A SCHOOL OR COLLEGE IN THIS STATE.

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12/12/18 Senate Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/08/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 163)
01/08/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 163)

S 0276 General Bill, By Senn and McLeod

Summary: Weapons

A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 16 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES INVOLVING WEAPONS, BY ADDING SECTION 16-23-540, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO THREATEN, SOLICIT ANOTHER TO THREATEN, OR CONSPIRE TO THREATEN TO CAUSE DAMAGE, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH OR TO CAUSE DAMAGE TO OR DESTROY A BUILDING OR OTHER REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY BY USE OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON ON ANY PREMISES OR PROPERTY OWNED,
OPERATED, OR CONTROLLED BY A PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SCHOOL, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, TECHNICAL COLLEGE, OR OTHER POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION, IN A CHURCH, IN ANY PUBLICLY OWNED BUILDING OR RECREATIONAL PARK AREAS, OR IN A PUBLIC GATHERING PLACE; TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON WHO IS CHARGED WITH A VIOLATION MUST UNDERGO A MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATION AND, IF NECESSARY, MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT OR COUNSELING; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTIES.

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01/08/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 163)
02/27/19 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Shealy, Young, McLeod, Senn
03/27/19 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 12)
04/03/19 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal-page 24)
04/09/19 Senate Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 45)
04/09/19 Senate Amended (Senate Journal-page 45)
04/10/19 Scrivener's error corrected
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04/10/19 Senate Roll call Ayes-30 Nays-10 (Senate Journal-page 70)
04/11/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 59)
04/11/19 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 59)
04/11/19 Scrivener's error corrected
04/11/19 Scrivener's error corrected

S 0283 General Bill, By Talley
Similar (S 0298, H 4576)
Summary: State Institution of Higher Education Enterprise Act
A BILL TO AMEND TITLE 59 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO EDUCATION, BY ADDING CHAPTER 157, TO ENACT THE "STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION ENTERPRISE ACT," TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH BY RESOLUTION AN ENTERPRISE DIVISION AS PART OF THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN ASSETS, PROGRAMS, AND OPERATIONS OF THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO THE ENTERPRISE DIVISION, TO PROVIDE THAT THE ENTERPRISE DIVISION IS EXEMPT FROM VARIOUS STATE LAWS GOVERNING PROCUREMENT, HUMAN RESOURCES, PERSONNEL, AND THE DISPOSITION OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, WITH SOME SUCH EXEMPTIONS APPLYING AUTOMATICALLY AND OTHERS REQUIRING ADDITIONAL ACTIONS BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, TO PROVIDE THAT BONDS, NOTES, OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS MAY BE ISSUED FOR THE ENTERPRISE DIVISION, AND TO PROVIDE AUDIT AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 11-35-710, RELATING TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONSOLIDATED PROCUREMENT CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY MAY EXEMPT AN ENTERPRISE DIVISION, IF A DIVISION IS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 157, TITLE 59 AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAS ADOPTED A PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR THE DIVISION THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY.
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01/08/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 167)
03/14/19 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education (Senate Journal-page 8)
03/15/19 Scrivener's error corrected

S 0298 General Bill, By Sheheen, Peeler, Jackson, Williams, Talley, Setzler, Gregory, Campbell, Fanning, Scott, Allen, Nicholson, Reese, Johnson, Turner, Alexander, Davis, Gambrell, McElveen, J. Matthews, Rankin, McLeod, M.B. Matthews, Hutto, Harpootlian and Sabb

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**Similar (S 0283, H 4576)**

**Summary:** Higher Ed. funding

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 7 TO CHAPTER 11, TITLE 11 SO AS TO PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDING TO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THE SAME PERCENTAGE AS GENERAL FUND REVENUES INCREASE, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS AND TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE FUNDING, AND TO ESTABLISH THE HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES REPAIR AND RENOVATION FUND TO PROVIDE INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTIONS 59-149-170, 59-149-180, 59-104-50, AND 59-104-60 SO AS TO NORMALIZE THE TEN-POINT GRADING SCALE FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-370, RELATING TO THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP, SO AS TO NORMALIZE THE TEN-POINT GRADING SCALE FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY; BY ADDING SECTIONS 59-142-80 AND 59-143-40 SO AS TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE NEED-BASED GRANT PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FUTURE FUNDING; TO AMEND SECTIONS 59-104-25 AND 59-149-15, RELATING TO CERTAIN STEM STIPENDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STIPEND IS AVAILABLE WHEN THE STUDENT BECOMES A JUNIOR INSTEAD OF A SOPHOMORE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-142-90 SO AS TO REQUIRE THAT THE FUNDING TO THE NEED-BASED TUITION GRANTS PROGRAM MUST BE THE SAME AS THE FUNDING TO THE NEED-BASED GRANTS; TO AMEND SECTION 2-47-40, RELATING TO THE JOINT BOND REVIEW COMMITTEE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN INFORMATION BE GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE THROUGH THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE; BY ADDING SECTION 2-47-65 SO AS TO INDEX FOR INFLATION PROJECT COSTS FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING IF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS ARE PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; TO AMEND SECTION 2-47-55, RELATING TO A COMPREHENSIVE PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT PLAN, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-103-110, RELATING TO APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE; AND BY ADDING SECTIONS 59-142-80 AND 59-143-40 SO AS TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE NEED-BASED GRANT PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FUTURE FUNDING.

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**01/08/19** Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 174)

**01/08/19** Senate Referred to Committee on Finance (Senate Journal-page 174)

**02/21/19** Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment Finance (Senate Journal-page 8)

**02/26/19** Scrivener’s error corrected

S 0419 General Bill, By Hembree, Malloy, Turner, Setzler, Sheheen and Alexander

**Similar (H 3759)**

**Summary:** SC Career Opportunity and Access for All Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA CAREER OPPORTUNITY AND ACCESS FOR ALL ACT"; BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-485 SO AS TO PROVIDE A STATEWIDE COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS GOAL FOR 2030; BY ADDING ARTICLE 15 TO CHAPTER 63, TITLE 59 SO AS TO CREATE THE "STUDENT BILL OF RIGHTS"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-5-10, RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SO AS TO ADD A PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO SERVE A TWO-YEAR TERM AS A NONVOTING ADVISORY MEMBER; BY ADDING CHAPTER 12 TO TITLE 1 SO AS TO CREATE THE "ZERO TO TWENTY COMMITTEE" AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURPOSES, MEMBERSHIP, AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-29-250 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPANSION AND ENHANCEMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION IN HIGH SCHOOLS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-310, RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM, SO AS TO REMOVE SOCIAL STUDIES FROM THE ACADEMIC AREAS ASSESSED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-320, RELATING TO FIELD TESTS IN THE STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATION OF ASSESSMENTS UNDER THE PROGRAM, SO AS TO MAKE CHANGES TO CONFORM TO THE REMOVAL OF SOCIAL STUDIES FROM THE ACADEMIC AREAS ASSESSED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-325, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS THAT THE DEPARTMENT PROCUER AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN STANDARDS-BASED ASSESSMENTS, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR PROCUREMENT AND ADMINISTERING STANDARDS-BASED ASSESSMENTS IN SOCIAL STUDIES TO STUDENTS IN FIFTH GRADE AND SEVENTH GRADE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-156-250 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE OFFICE OF FIRST STEPS TO SCHOOL READINESS AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL COMPILE AND REPORT TO THE...
GENERAL ASSEMBLY CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT EARLY CHILDHOOD READING EFFORTS, PLANS TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN RELATED PROGRAMS IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS, AND TO REQUIRE A SUBSEQUENT REPORT IN FIVE YEARS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-20, RELATING TO THE CRITERIA FOR PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO STRENGTHEN ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS, AND COMPUTER SCIENCE FOUNDATIONS OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SEEKING PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIPS BY REQUIRING SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CERTAIN ENGLISH AND MATHEMATICS OR COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSEWORK DURING THEIR SENIOR YEARS, AND TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE 2019-2020 SENIOR CLASS FROM THESE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-149-50, RELATING TO THE CRITERIA FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO STRENGTHEN ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS, AND COMPUTER SCIENCE FOUNDATIONS OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SEEKING LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS BY REQUIRING SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CERTAIN ENGLISH AND MATHEMATICS OR COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSEWORK DURING THEIR SENIOR YEARS, AND TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE 2019-2020 SENIOR CLASS FROM THESE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-210, RELATING TO ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS PROVIDING DUAL ENROLLMENT BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, SO AS TO EXPAND SUCH DUAL ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES BY CREATING A UNIFORM SYSTEM OF DUAL ENROLLMENT COLLEGE COURSES OFFERED TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS BY PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-18-365 SO AS TO PROVIDE A SYSTEM FOR ACCOUNTABILITY FOR STUDENT PROGRESS TOWARD COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS FROM KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-5-65, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE REMEDIAL COURSEWORK FOR COLLEGE READINESS ONLY MAY BE PROVIDED AT THE HIGH-SCHOOL LEVEL AND MAY NOT BE PROVIDED AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; TO AMEND SECTIONS 59-18-1950 AND 59-101-350, BOTH RELATING TO REMEDIAL COURSEWORK, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE TO THE ELIMINATION OF REMEDIAL COURSEWORK BEING OFFERED AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-155-155 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL APPROVE NO MORE THAN FIVE RELIABLE AND VALID EARLY LITERACY AND NUMERACY SCREENING ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS FOR SELECTION AND USE BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH THIRD GRADE, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH INSTRUMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-110, RELATING TO THE READ TO SUCCEED OFFICE, SO AS TO CORRECT A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-120, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-130, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE READ TO SUCCEED OFFICE, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING COURSEWORK NECESSARY FOR LITERACY ADD-ON ENDORSEMENTS AND TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN READING AND COACHING FOR CERTIFIED READING/LITERACY COACHES AND LITERACY TEACHERS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-140, RELATING TO THE STATE READING PROFICIENCY PROGRAM, SO AS TO REMOVE THE USE OF BOOK CLUBS FOR CERTAIN REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-150, RELATING TO THE READINESS ASSESSMENT PROVIDED BY THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SCREENING AND DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENTS AND INTERVENTIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-160, RELATING TO MANDATORY STUDENT RETENTION PROVISIONS OF THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR RETENTION AND EXEMPTIONS FROM RETENTION, TO ELIMINATE AN APPEALS PROCESS, AND TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR INTENSIVE INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES AND SUPPORT PROVIDED TO RETAINED STUDENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-180, RELATING TO PROVISIONS CONCERNING TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT READING/LITERACY COACHES BE EMPLOYED IN ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE ROLES AND FUNCTIONS OF READING/LITERACY COACHES, TO PROVIDE MEASURES TO ENSURE TEACHER CANDIDATES UNDERSTAND THE FOUNDATIONS OF READING AND ARE PREPARED TO TEACH READING TO ALL STUDENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE LEARNING DISORDERS TASK FORCE ANNUALLY SHALL ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN PREPARING TEACHERS TO DIAGNOSE READING PROBLEMS IN STUDENTS AND PROVIDE APPROPRIATE INTERVENTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION SHALL REPORT FINDINGS OF THIS ASSESSMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-20, RELATING TO CAREER-CLUSTER CURRICULUM, SO AS TO REVISE THE CURRICULUM TO ALIGN WITH WORKFORCE NEEDS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-50, RELATING TO STATE MODELS AND PROTOTYPES FOR INDIVIDUAL GRADUATION PLANS, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS TO INCLUDE CAREER CLUSTERS AND RELATED PATHWAYS AND PROGRAMS OF STUDY, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-60,
RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATION OF HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULA AROUND CLUSTERS OF STUDY AND CLUSTER MAJORS, SO AS TO REORGANIZE THE CURRICULA AROUND CAREER PATHWAYS AND TO PROMOTE RELATED INCREASED AWARENESS AND CAREER COUNSELING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-53-30 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH COMMON MINIMUM ADMISSIONS SCORES FOR ITS INSTITUTIONS, TO PROVIDE VARIATIONS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO PROVIDE ADVICE INSTITUTIONS SHOULD GIVE INDIVIDUALS WHO MEET THESE MINIMUM SCORES; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-360, RELATING TO TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS WHO ATTEND TECHNICAL COLLEGES OR TWO-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, SO AS TO PROVIDE THIS ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS SEEKING CERTAIN BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3800 SO AS TO ALLOW AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR A TAXPAYER WHO EMPLOYS A PUBLIC SCHOOL K4-12 TEACHER AS AN INTERN, TO PROVIDE THAT THE INTERNSHIP MUST BE APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE TEACHER IS EMPLOYED BASED ON CRITERIA PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION AND THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TRANSFERRING ADULT BASIC EDUCATION AND ADULT SECONDARY EDUCATION TO THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION AND HOW TO BEST USE CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTERS TO PROVIDE IMPROVED AND UPDATED TECHNICAL EDUCATION; TO AMEND SECTION 59-111-110, RELATING TO CERTAIN PEOPLE EXEMPT FROM PAYING TUITION TO ATTEND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, SO AS TO INCLUDE FULL-TIME CERTIFIED CLASSROOM TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN SCHOOLS WITH ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF BELOW AVERAGE OR UNSATISFACTORY FOR THREE OF THE FOUR PRECEDING YEARS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-111-155 SO AS TO PROVIDE A NECESSARY DEFINITION; BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-360 SO AS TO PROVIDE SCHOOL BOARDS MAY REIMBURSE TEACHERS WHO MUST TRAVEL MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE MILES EACH WAY BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL FOR MILEAGE AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED THE FEDERAL RATE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-350, RELATING TO SCHOOLS OF CHOICE, SO AS TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS INSTEAD MAY CREATE MULTIPLE SCHOOLS OF INNOVATION; BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-25 SO AS TO PROVIDE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY SUBMIT SEPARATE AND DISTINCT EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR APPROVAL, TO PROVIDE THESE PROGRAMS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE NATIONALLY ACCREDITED BUT MUST MEET CERTAIN OTHER REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNUALLY SHALL REPORT RELATED DATA TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO AMEND SECTION 59-26-20, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION CONCERNING THE TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, AND EVALUATION OF PUBLIC EDUCATORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS REGARDING A CYCLICAL EVALUATION PROCESS FOR APPROVED TEACHER EDUCATOR PROGRAMS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-26-35 SO AS TO IMPROVE THE MEANS FOR EVALUATING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS BY PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLICATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA TEACHER PREPARATION REPORT CARD; BY ADDING SECTION 59-26-120 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS WITH CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING GRADUATES OF THOSE PROGRAMS, TO PROVIDE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS MAY NOT SHARE IDENTIFIABLE EDUCATOR DATA WITH THIRD PARTIES WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT, AND TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT; BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-52 SO AS TO INCREASE EFFORTS TO RETAIN EDUCATORS BY CONDUCTING A SEMIANNUAL WORKPLACE SATISFACTION OPINION SURVEY OF SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF THE RESULTS OF THESE SURVEYS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-20-50, RELATING TO TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULES, SO AS TO DELETE EXISTING LANGUAGE AND PROVIDE DISTRICTS MAY PAY TEACHERS ANNUAL SALARIES AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE MINIMUM STARTING SCHEDULE FOR THEIR EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM STARTING SALARY FOR NEW TEACHERS, TO PROVIDE THIS STARTING SALARY MUST BE ESTABLISHED WITH THE GOAL OF REACHING THE SOUTHEASTERN AVERAGE, AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO MAKE CERTAIN
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A PLAN TO REMOVE THE EXISTING TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULE AND IMPLEMENT BETWEEN FIVE AND NINE CAREER BANDS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY ADDING ARTICLE 16 TO CHAPTER 18, TITLE 59 SO AS TO PROVIDE REVISED ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-17-15 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP AND PROVIDE CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-39-100, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS, SO AS TO PROVIDE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL UNITS OF STUDY FOR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS BEGINNING WITH STUDENTS ENTERING NINTH GRADE IN THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR; BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 19, TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMINOLOGY, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD GOVERNANCE AND BOARD MEMBER CONDUCT, TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT A MODEL CODE OF ETHICS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER CONDUCT, TO PROVIDE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS SHALL ADOPT CODES OF ETHICS BASED ON THIS MODEL CODE, TO PROVIDE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS SHALL ADOPT NEPOTISM POLICIES THAT MEET CERTAIN MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS, TO PROHIBIT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE REFERRAL OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST ALLEGATIONS TO THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION UPON A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT FOR SUCH A VOTE, TO REQUIRE NOTICE TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION WHEN A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCREDITING BODY PLACES A DISTRICT OR SCHOOL ON A LEVEL OF ACCREDITATION THAT IMMEDIATELY PRECEDES ACCREDITATION LOSS FOR GOVERNANCE REASONS, TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL CONDUCT A HEARING ON THE MATTER AND MAY RECOMMEND SUSPENSION OF A BOARD TO THE GOVERNOR, AND TO PROVIDE THE GOVERNOR MAY SUSPEND AN ENTIRE BOARD AND APPOINT A TEMPORARY BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-920, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE PERFORMANCE OF STUDENTS IN CHARTER SCHOOLS SPONSORED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST BE INCLUDED IN OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATINGS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THIS REQUIREMENT ALSO APPLIES TO CHARTER SCHOOLS SPONSORED BY REGISTERED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-55 SO AS TO PROVIDE SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS SHALL COMPLY WITH CERTAIN ETHICS PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; BY ADDING SECTION 8-13-810 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL NOTIFY THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION OF ANY SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE WHO FAILS TO COMPLETE REQUIRED ETHICS TRAINING, TO PROVIDE FAILURE OF A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER TO COMPLETE THIS TRAINING CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF THE STATE ETHICS ACT AND SUBJECTS THE MEMBER TO CERTAIN CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES, TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ALSO MAY IMPOSE ORAL OR WRITTEN WARNINGS OR REPRIMANDS, AND TO PROVIDE TRUSTEES MUST BE PROVIDED NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE THEIR POSITION ON THE SCHOOL BOARD MAY BE TERMINATED FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STATE ETHICS ACT; TO AMEND SECTION 1-3-240, RELATING TO STATE AND COUNTY OFFICIALS SUBJECT TO REMOVAL FROM OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, SO AS TO INCLUDE SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-45, RELATING TO MANDATORY ORIENTATION FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT A MODEL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS WHICH DISTRICTS SHALL ADOPT, TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL ADOPT LOCAL TRAINING PROGRAMS, AND TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL PROVIDE SUCH TRAINING TO BOARD MEMBERS WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER TAKING OFFICE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-60, RELATING TO THE REMOVAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEES, SO AS TO REVISE THE GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL, THE MANNER OF REMOVAL, AND PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE FILLING OF SEATS VACATED BY REMOVAL, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-444 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST ALL REPORTS, STUDIES, PUBLISHED FINDINGS, MEMORANDA, GUIDELINES, RULES, AND CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS ON ITS INTERNET WEBSITE WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AFTER BEING MADE PUBLIC, TO PROVIDE THE POSTING MUST BE IN A CERTAIN FORM AND MANNER EASILY LOCATABLE AND ACCESSIBLE FOR VIEWING AND DOWNLOADING BY THE PUBLIC, AND TO SUBJECT THE DEPARTMENT TO CERTAIN MONETARY FINES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-90, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE RULES ADOPTED BY THESE BOARDS MUST ALIGN WITH APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARDS; AND TO REPEAL ARTICLE 15 OF CHAPTER 18, TITLE 59 RELATING TO INTERVENTION AND ASSISTANCE UNDER THE EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY ACT AND SECTION 59-59-30 RELATING TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT.

01/24/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 4)
01/24/19  Senate  Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 4)

S 0423 General Bill, By Hutto

Similar (H 3134, H 4023)

Summary: Weapons on school property

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-23-420(A) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE POSSESSION OF A FIREARM ON SCHOOL PROPERTY, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO POSSESS A FIREARM OF ANY KIND ON OR WITHIN ONE THOUSAND FEET OF ANY PREMISES OR PROPERTY OWNED, OPERATED, OR CONTROLLED BY A PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SCHOOL, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, TECHNICAL COLLEGE, OR OTHER POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION OR CONTROLLED BY A PRIVATE OR PUBLIC SCHOOL, COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, TECHNICAL COLLEGE, OR OTHER POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION OR IN ANY PUBLICLY OWNED BUILDING, WITHOUT THE EXPRESS PERMISSION OF THE AUTHORITIES IN CHARGE OF THE PREMISES OR PROPERTY.

01/24/19  Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 13)

01/24/19  Senate Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 13)

S 0431 General Bill, By Hutto and Jackson

Similar (H 3404)

Summary: Licensure

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-112-45 SO AS TO PROVIDE PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THIS STATE AND ARE NOT PRECLUDED FROM ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY UNDER FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAW MAY ESTABLISH DOMICILE IN THIS STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING IN-STATE TUITION RATES AND FEES AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND FOR STATE-SUPPORTED SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 41-1-35 SO AS TO PROVIDE PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THIS STATE AND ARE NOT PRECLUDED FROM ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY UNDER FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAW MAY ESTABLISH RESIDENCY AND BE ELIGIBLE FOR OCCUPATIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER, PROVIDED OTHER LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.

01/24/19  Senate  Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 16)

01/24/19  Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 16)

S 0518 Joint Resolution, By Senate Education

Summary: Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Program

A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, RELATING TO PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4816, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

02/14/19  Senate Introduced, read first time, placed on calendar without reference (Senate Journal-page 3)

02/28/19  Senate Recommitted to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 4)

S 0627 General Bill, By Campbell

Summary: Property tax exemptions

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-37-220, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS, SO AS TO EXTEND AN EXEMPTION FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING TO CERTAIN INTERESTS IN PROPERTY USED FOR STUDENT HOUSING, PARKING, DINING, OR OTHER EDUCATION-RELATED PURPOSES THAT IS HELD BY A PRIVATE PARTY THAT IS CONTRACTUALLY OBLIGATED TO OPERATE THE PROPERTY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INSTITUTION.

03/07/19  Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 4)

03/07/19  Senate Referred to Committee on Finance (Senate Journal-page 4)
S 0641 General Bill, By Grooms

Summary: The Campus Intellectual Diversity Act

A BILL TO ENACT THE CAMPUS INTELLECTUAL DIVERSITY ACT, TO AMEND CHAPTER 59, TITLE 101 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO COLLEGES AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING GENERALLY, BY ADDING ARTICLE 4, TO PROVIDE FOR AN OFFICE OF PUBLIC POLICY EVENTS ON EVERY CAMPUS OF CERTAIN COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES, WHICH SHALL ORGANIZE, PUBLICIZE, AND STAGE DEBATES, GROUP FORUMS, AND INDIVIDUAL LECTURES THAT ADDRESS PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES, AND TO REQUIRE EACH OFFICE OF PUBLIC POLICY EVENTS TO KEEP CERTAIN RECORDS AND MAKE CERTAIN INFORMATION PUBLICLY AVAILABLE.

03/12/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 35)
03/12/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 35)

S 0650 General Bill, By Turner, Grooms, Shealy and Talley

Summary: Technical and Comprehensive Education

A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 53, TITLE 59 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION, BY ADDING SECTION 59-53-45, TO PROVIDE FOR A WORKFORCE DIPLOMA PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF PROVIDERS, TO PROVIDE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

03/13/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 5)
03/13/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 5)

S 0699 General Bill, By McLeod

Summary: Student threats

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-17-425 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO STUDENT THREATS, TO PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR A STUDENT OF A SCHOOL OR COLLEGE WHO MAKES CERTAIN THREATS.

03/21/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 8)
03/21/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 8)

S 0739 Concurrent Resolution, By Senn and Harpootlian

Summary: Ride-hailing services and transportation network companies

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO URGE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, MUNICIPALITIES, LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, COLLEGES, AND UNIVERSITIES TO ACCELERATE THEIR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND RIDE-HAILING SERVICES.

04/03/19 Senate Introduced (Senate Journal-page 9)
04/03/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Transportation (Senate Journal-page 9)

S 0772 Resolution, By Senn and Harpootlian

Summary: Transportation Network Companies and ride-hailing services

A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, MUNICIPALITIES, LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, AND THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF TO PARTNER WITH TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND RIDE-HAILING SERVICES TO IMPROVE SAFETY.

04/18/19 Senate Introduced (Senate Journal-page 7)
04/18/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Judiciary (Senate Journal-page 7)

S 0798 General Bill, By Peeler, Harpootlian and Jackson

Summary: USC Board of Trustees

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-117-10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE BOARD AND THE
AREAS FROM WHICH ELECTED MEMBERS ARE SELECTED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-117-20, RELATING TO TERMS OF ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR STAGGERED TERMS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020; TO AMEND SECTION 57-117-40, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD, SO AS TO REVISE CERTAIN POWERS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-117-50, RELATING TO MEETINGS OF THE BOARD, SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR HOW SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD MAY BE CALLED.

04/30/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 8)
04/30/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 8)
05/02/19 Scrivener's error corrected

H 3056 General Bill, By Clary, Clyburn, Norrell, Hill and Loftis
Summary: Hazing
A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 6, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL HAZING, SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS AND RESTRUCTURE THE OFFENSES AND PENALTIES ASSOCIATED WITH UNLAWFUL HAZING.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 70)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 70)
01/15/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hill, Loftis

H 3098 General Bill, By Rutherford, Hosey, Thigpen and Henderson-Myers
Summary: Out-of-state tuition,
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-101-440 SO AS TO PROVIDE A STUDENT MUST BE EXEMPT FROM PAYING OUT-OF-STATE TUITION AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN SOUTH CAROLINA AND MUST BE ELIGIBLE FOR CERTAIN STATE-SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIPS AND TUITION ASSISTANCE IF HE ATTENDED A HIGH SCHOOL IN THIS STATE FOR THREE OR MORE YEARS, GRADUATED FROM A HIGH SCHOOL IN THE STATE OR RECEIVED THE EQUIVALENT OF A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA IN THIS STATE, REGISTERS AS AN ENTERING STUDENT OR IS CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION NO EARLIER THAN THE FALL SEMESTER OF THE 2019-2020 ACADEMIC YEAR, AND, IF LACKING LAWFUL IMMIGRATION STATUS, FILES AN AFFIDAVIT WITH THE INSTITUTION STATING HE HAS FILED AN APPLICATION TO LEGALIZE HIS IMMIGRATION OR WILL FILE AN APPLICATION WHEN ELIGIBLE; TO PROVIDE A STUDENT WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A STATE-SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIP OR TUITION ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS ACT ALSO MUST MEET OTHER QUALIFICATIONS OF THE STATE-SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIP OR TUITION ASSISTANCE TO RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP OR TUITION ASSISTANCE; TO PROVIDE STUDENT INFORMATION OBTAINED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT MUST BE CONFIDENTIAL; AND TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION TO ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 85)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means (House Journal-page 85)
01/31/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Henderson-Myers

H 3099 General Bill, By G.R. Smith, Magnuson and Bennett
Summary: Forming Open and Robust University Minds (FORUM) Act
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "FORMING OPEN AND ROBUST UNIVERSITY MINDS (FORUM) ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 148 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO PROVIDE MEASURES TO PROTECT EXPRESSIONS BY STUDENTS AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS IN CERTAIN PLACES ON THE CAMPUSES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THIS STATE, TO
PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS FOR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, AND TO PROVIDE MEANS OF REDRESS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT.

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12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 86)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 86)
03/20/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Bennett

H 3100 General Bill, By G.R. Smith, V.S. Moss and McCravy
Summary: US Constitution study and other texts
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO REQUISITE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND OTHER TEXTS REFLECTING THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS AND PUBLICLY SUPPORTED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION MAY IDENTIFY RELATED RECOMMENDED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND TO REMOVE A LOYALTY OATH, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-130, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT THESE SUBJECTS BE GIVEN FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENT FOR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 59-29-140 RELATING TO THE ROLE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO ENFORCE THESE STUDY REQUIREMENTS AND PRESCRIBE SUITABLE TESTS, AND SECTION 59-29-150 RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THESE PROVISIONS.
12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 86)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 86)
01/16/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: McCravy

H 3102 General Bill, By Stavrinakis, Clyburn, Hosey and Norrell
Summary: Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, qualifications
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS FOR PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIPS, SECTION 59-113-20, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS FOR SOUTH CAROLINA TUITION GRANTS, AND SECTION 59-149-90, RELATING TO QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE INCENTIVES FOR FUTURE EXCELLENCE (LIFE) SCHOLARSHIPS, ALL SO AS TO REMOVE CONVICTIONS FOR MISDEMEANOR ALCOHOL-RELATED OR DRUG-RELATED OFFENSES FROM THOSE OFFENSES WHICH DISQUALIFY PERSONS FROM RECEIVING THESE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS.
12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 87)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 87)
01/01/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: McCravy

H 3140 General Bill, By Collins and S. Williams
Summary: Educational lottery scholarship grants
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-380, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE EDUCATIONAL LOTTERY TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS PROGRAM, SO AS TO REVISE THE PURPOSES AND FUNDING OF THE PROGRAM TO INCLUDE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR TEACHERS TO OBTAIN A MASTER'S DEGREE IN THEIR CONTENT AREA, FULL SCHOLARSHIPS TO UNDERGRADUATES WHO CHOOSE TO MAJOR IN EDUCATION, AND GRANTS TO TEACHERS AND CERTIFIED PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS TO REPAY STUDENT LOANS, TO ESTABLISH THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND PROCEDURES FOR THESE GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE LIFE SCHOLARSHIP UNDER CHAPTER 149, TITLE 59 AND THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP UNDER SECTION 59-150-370 ARE CLOSED TO NEW RECIPIENTS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019.
H 3156 General Bill, By Norrell, Magnuson and Ligon
Summary: Palmetto Fellows Scholarship
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, SO AS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE AWARD MAY ELECT TO DEFER ENROLLMENT IN AN ELIGIBLE FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTION FOR ONE ACADEMIC YEAR AFTER GRADUATION WITHOUT DECLINING THE AWARD.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 102)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 102)

H 3197 General Bill, By Govan
Summary: Student Loan Bill of Rights
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "STUDENT LOAN BILL OF RIGHTS ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 103, TITLE 59, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF STUDENT EDUCATION LOAN SERVICERS BY THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 110)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 110)

H 3214 General Bill, By Pendarvis
Summary: SC Promise Scholarship
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 11 TO CHAPTER 111, TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION SHALL ADMINISTER THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE RELATED POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 124)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 124)

H 3254 General Bill, By Hosey, Huggins and Daning
Summary: Free tuition for children of vets
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-111-20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO FREE TUITION AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THIS STATE FOR CHILDREN OF WARTIME VETERANS, SO AS TO EXTEND THIS BENEFIT TO THE MARRIED AND WIDOWED SPOUSES OF WARTIME VETERANS, AND TO PROVIDE THESE BENEFITS TERMINATE FOR SUCH MARRIED OR WIDOWED SPOUSES WHO REMARRY.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 145)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means (House Journal-page 145)
02/12/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Huggins
H 3324 General Bill, By King and Clyburn  
**Summary:** College Financial Aid and Education  
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID EDUCATION ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-410, RELATING TO TOPICS INCLUDED IN HIGH SCHOOL FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS, SO AS TO INCLUDE FINANCING SECONDARY EDUCATION AMONG THE TOPICS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 59-103-165, 59-103-170, AND 59-103-190, ALL RELATING TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION OPTION INFORMATION PACKAGES AND COUNSELING FOR EIGHTH-GRADE STUDENTS, SO AS TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF STUDENTS TO WHOM PACKAGES AND COUNSELING ARE OFFERED TO INCLUDE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND COLLEGE STUDENTS; AND TO RETITLE ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 103, TITLE 59, FROM "POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION OPTION INFORMATION" TO "POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION INFORMATION AND COUNSELING".

12/18/18 House Prefiled  
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works  
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 197)  
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 197)

H 3330 General Bill, By King  
**Summary:** Scholarships  
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-111-80 SO AS TO PROVIDE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN WRITTEN NOTICE TO STUDENTS BEFORE TERMINATING OR REDUCING SCHOLARSHIPS.

12/18/18 House Prefiled  
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works  
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 199)  
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 199)

H 3348 General Bill, By Huggins and Young  
**Summary:** Title IX Notification  
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "TITLE IX NOTIFICATION ACT"; BY ADDING SECTION 59-105-55 SO AS TO PROVIDE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING THAT RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDS SHALL INDICATE THE EXISTENCE OF AFFIRMATIVE FINDINGS OF STUDENT VIOLATIONS OF TITLE IX AND RELATED PUNISHMENTS RESULTING FROM DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED BY THE INSTITUTION ON STUDENT TRANSCRIPTS FOR FIVE YEARS AFTER GRADUATION OR WITHDRAWAL FROM THE INSTITUTION, AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN NOTIFICATION TO INSTITUTIONS TO WHICH STUDENTS SEEK TO TRANSFER OR PURSUE GRADUATE STUDIES WHILE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS ARE UNDERWAY, AMONG OTHER THINGS.

12/18/18 House Prefiled  
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works  
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 205)  
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 206)  
02/26/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Young

H 3353 General Bill, By King  
**Summary:** Legislative Audit Council  
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 2-15-67 SO AS TO PROVIDE BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020, THE LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COUNCIL SHALL CONDUCT A MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF EACH PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE EVERY TEN YEARS
H*3398 (Rat #0037, Act #0024 of 2019) General Bill, By Clary, Norrell, Loftis, Hill, Felder, W. Cox and Elliott

Summary: Tucker Hipps Transparency Act

AN ACT TO AMEND ACT 265 OF 2016, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "TUCKER HIPPS TRANSPARENCY ACT", SO AS TO PERMANENTLY AUTHORIZE THE ACT AND TO REPEAL THE THREE-YEAR SUNSET PROVISION. - ratified title

H 3403 General Bill, By Collins, Allison, Felder, Govan, Taylor, Bradley, West, Erickson, Stringer, Young and Bannister

Summary: Competency based schools


Similar (S 0431)

Summary: Licensure

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-112-45 SO AS TO PROVIDE PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THIS STATE AND ARE NOT PRECLUDED FROM ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY UNDER FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAW MAY ESTABLISH DOMICILE IN THIS STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING IN-STATE TUITION RATES AND FEES AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND FOR STATE-SUPPORTED SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 41-1-35 SO AS TO PROVIDE PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THIS STATE AND ARE NOT PRECLUDED FROM ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY UNDER FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAW MAY ESTABLISH RESIDENCY AND BE ELIGIBLE FOR OCCUPATIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER, PROVIDED OTHER LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 226)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 226)
01/15/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Rose
01/16/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Bamberg, Forrest
01/23/19 Scrivener's error corrected
01/30/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Clary
01/31/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Henderson-Myers
03/05/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Herbkersman, W.Newton
03/27/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Dillard, McKnight, Moore, Ridgeway, Garvin, Stavrinakis, Robinson, Anderson, Hayes, Ott, Simmons, Rivers, Funderburk, Brown, Hosey, Weeks
03/28/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Atkinson, Alexander, Howard, Parks
04/03/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Gilliard, R.Williams, Jefferson, Kimmons, Govan, Kirby, Bales, S.Williams, Mack, Hart, Clyburn

H 3410 General Bill, By Rutherford

Summary: Community charge on nonprofit hospitals and institutions of higher learning

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 6-1-190 SO AS TO
AUTHORIZE THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY TO IMPOSE A COMMUNITY CHARGE ON NONPROFIT HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR THE METHOD OF DETERMINING THE CHARGE, AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN COLLECTION MEASURES.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 230)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means (House Journal-page 230)

H 3413 General Bill, By Stavrinakis and Hosey
Summary: Income tax credit for tuition
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-3385, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR TUITION, SO AS TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "STUDENT" TO ACCOUNT FOR GENERAL EDUCATION DIPLOMA RECIPIENTS AND TO DELETE EXCLUSIONS RESULTING FROM ALCOHOL AND DRUG OFFENSES.

12/18/18 House Prefiled
12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means
01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 231)
01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means (House Journal-page 231)

Summary: Hammond School Football Team
A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE HAMMOND SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM AND COACHES ON THEIR IMPRESSIVE WIN OF THE 2018 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

01/15/19 House Introduced and adopted (House Journal-page 7)

H 3576 General Bill, By White, Cobb-Hunter, Garvin, Rose, Loftis, Gilliard, Moore, Clemmons and Jefferson
Summary: SC Workforce Industry Needs Scholarship (SC WINS), established
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-150-365 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKFORCE INDUSTRY NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP (SC WINS), TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN STUDENTS ATTENDING A TWO-YEAR TECHNICAL COLLEGE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP, AND TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.

01/15/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 68)
01/15/19 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means (House Journal-page 68)
01/16/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Garvin
01/22/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Rose
01/29/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Loftis
01/30/19 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Ways and Means (House Journal-page 19)
01/31/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Gilliard, Moore, Clemmons, Jefferson
01/31/19 House Amended (House Journal-page 39)
01/31/19 House Read second time (House Journal-page 39)
H 3577 General Bill, By Allison, Taylor and Felder

Summary: Educator preparation program

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-25 SO AS TO PROVIDE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY SUBMIT SEPARATE AND DISTINCT EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR APPROVAL, TO PROVIDE THESE PROGRAMS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE NATIONALLY ACCREDITED BUT MUST MEET CERTAIN OTHER REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNUALLY SHALL REPORT RELATED DATA TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-26-20, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION CONCERNING THE TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, AND EVALUATION OF PUBLIC EDUCATORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS REGARDING A CYCLICAL EVALUATION PROCESS FOR APPROVED TEACHER EDUCATOR PROGRAMS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS.

01/15/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 69)
01/15/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 69)
04/03/19 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 2)
04/09/19 House Amended (House Journal-page 82)
04/09/19 House Read second time (House Journal-page 82)
04/09/19 House Roll call Yeas-100 Nays-3 (House Journal-page 85)
04/10/19 House Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 11)
04/10/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 15)
04/10/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Education (Senate Journal-page 15)

H 3578 General Bill, By Allison, Taylor, Felder and Stringer

Summary: Educator preparation programs

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-26-120 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS WITH CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING GRADUATES OF THOSE PROGRAMS, TO PROVIDE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS MAY NOT SHARE IDENTIFIABLE EDUCATOR DATA WITH THIRD PARTIES WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT, AND TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

01/15/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 69)
01/15/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 69)
01/17/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Stringer

H*3639 (Rat #0017, Act #0010 of 2019) General Bill, By Taylor, Allison, Felder and Huggins

Summary: Tuition rates, military personnel and their dependents

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 59-112-50, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO MILITARY PERSONNEL AND THEIR DEPENDENTS WHO ARE ENTITLED TO PAY IN-STATE TUITION AND FEES WITHOUT
H*3697 (Rat #0018, Act #0102 of 2019) Joint Resolution, By Taylor, Allison, Gilliard, Simmons, Bales, Moore and Govan

Summary: Degree curriculum requirements

A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE THAT NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF REGULATION 62-6-(D), SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF REGULATIONS, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN ACADEMIC PROGRAMS MUST BE EARNED THROUGH INSTRUCTION BY THE INSTITUTION AWARDING THE DEGREE, THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION MAY GRANT ALTERNATE PROGRAM COMPLETION OPTIONS TO STUDENTS IMPACTED BY THE CLOSURE OF SIX EDUCATION CORPORATION OF AMERICA, INC., HIGHER EDUCATION PROVIDERS IN SOUTH CAROLINA IN 2018.

Similar (S 0419)

Summary: SC Career Opportunity and Access for All

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA CAREER OPPORTUNITY AND ACCESS FOR ALL ACT"; BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-485 SO AS TO PROVIDE A STATEWIDE COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS GOAL FOR 2030; BY ADDING ARTICLE 15 TO CHAPTER 63, TITLE 59 SO AS TO CREATE THE "STUDENT BILL OF RIGHTS"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-5-10, RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SO AS TO ADD A PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO SERVE A TWO-YEAR TERM AS A NONVOTING ADVISORY MEMBER; BY ADDING CHAPTER 12 TO TITLE 1 SO AS TO CREATE THE "ZERO TO TWENTY COMMITTEE" AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURPOSES, MEMBERSHIP, AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-29-250 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPANSION AND ENHANCEMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION IN HIGH SCHOOLS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-310, RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM, SO AS TO REMOVE SOCIAL STUDIES FROM THE ACADEMIC AREAS ASSESSED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-320, RELATING TO FIELD TESTS IN THE STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATION OF ASSESSMENTS UNDER THE PROGRAM, SO AS TO MAKE CHANGES TO CONFORM TO THE REMOVAL OF SOCIAL STUDIES FROM THE ACADEMIC AREAS ASSESSED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-325, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS THAT THE DEPARTMENT PROCURE AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN STANDARDS-BASED ASSESSMENTS, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR PROCURING AND ADMINISTERING STANDARDS-BASED ASSESSMENTS IN SOCIAL STUDIES TO STUDENTS IN FIFTH GRADE AND SEVENTH GRADE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-156-250 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE OFFICE OF FIRST STEPS TO SCHOOL READINESS AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL COMPILE AND REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT EARLY CHILDHOOD READING EFFORTS, PLANS TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN RELATED PROGRAMS IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS, AND TO REQUIRE A SUBSEQUENT REPORT IN FIVE YEARS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-20, RELATING TO THE CRITERIA FOR PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO STRENGTHEN ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS, AND COMPUTER SCIENCE FOUNDATIONS OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SEEKING PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIPS BY REQUIRING SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CERTAIN ENGLISH AND MATHEMATICS OR COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSEWORK DURING THEIR SENIOR YEARS, AND TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE 2019-2020 SENIOR CLASS FROM THESE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-149-50, RELATING TO THE CRITERIA FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO STRENGTHEN ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS, AND COMPUTER SCIENCE FOUNDATIONS OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SEEKING LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS BY REQUIRING SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CERTAIN ENGLISH AND MATHEMATICS OR COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSEWORK DURING THEIR SENIOR YEARS, AND TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE 2019-2020 SENIOR CLASS FROM THESE REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-210, RELATING TO ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS PROVIDING DUAL ENROLLMENT BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, SO AS TO EXPAND SUCH DUAL ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES BY CREATING A UNIFORM SYSTEM OF DUAL ENROLLMENT COLLEGE COURSES OFFERED TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS BY PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-18-365 SO AS TO PROVIDE A SYSTEM FOR ACCOUNTABILITY FOR STUDENT PROGRESS TOWARD COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS FROM KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-5-65, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE REMEDIAL COURSEWORK FOR COLLEGE READINESS ONLY MAY BE PROVIDED AT THE HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL AND MAY NOT BE PROVIDED AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; TO AMEND SECTIONS 59-18-1950 AND 59-101-350, BOTH RELATING TO REMEDIAL COURSEWORK, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE TO THE ELIMINATION OF REMEDIAL COURSEWORK BEING OFFERED AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-155-155 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL APPROVE NO MORE THAN FIVE RELIABLE AND VALID EARLY LITERACY AND NUMERACY SCREENING ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS FOR SELECTION AND USE BY
SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH THIRD GRADE, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH INSTRUMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-110, RELATING TO THE READ TO SUCCEED OFFICE, SO AS TO CORRECT A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-120, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-130, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE READ TO SUCCEED OFFICE, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING COURSEWORK NECESSARY FOR LITERACY ADD-ON ENDORSEMENTS AND TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN READING AND COACHING FOR CERTIFIED READING/LITERACY COACHES AND LITERACY TEACHERS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-140, RELATING TO THE STATE READING PROFICIENCY PROGRAM, SO AS TO REMOVE THE USE OF BOOK CLUBS FOR CERTAIN REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-150, RELATING TO THE READINESS ASSESSMENT PROVIDED BY THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SCREENING AND DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENTS AND INTERVENTIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-160, RELATING TO MANDATORY STUDENT RETENTION PROVISIONS OF THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR RETENTION AND EXEMPTIONS FROM RETENTION, TO ELIMINATE AN APPEALS PROCESS, AND TO REVISE CRITERIA FOR INTENSIVE INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES AND SUPPORT PROVIDED TO RETAINED STUDENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-155-180, RELATING TO PROVISIONS CONCERNING TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN THE READ TO SUCCEED ACT, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT READING/LITERACY COACHES BE EMPLOYED IN ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE ROLES AND FUNCTIONS OF READING/LITERACY COACHES, TO PROVIDE MEASURES TO ENSURE TEACHER CANDIDATES UNDERSTAND THE FOUNDATIONS OF READING AND ARE PREPARED TO TEACH READING TO ALL STUDENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE LEARNING DISORDERS TASK FORCE ANNUALLY SHALL ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN PREPARING TEACHERS TO DIAGNOSE READING PROBLEMS IN STUDENTS AND PROVIDE APPROPRIATE INTERVENTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION SHALL REPORT FINDINGS OF THIS ASSESSMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-20, RELATING TO CAREER-CLUSTER CURRICULUM, SO AS TO REVISE THE CURRICULUM TO ALIGN WITH WORKFORCE NEEDS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-50, RELATING TO STATE MODELS AND PROTOTYPES FOR INDIVIDUAL GRADUATION PLANS, SO AS TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS TO INCLUDE CAREER CLUSTERS AND RELATED PATHWAYS AND PROGRAMS OF STUDY, AMONG OTHER THINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-59-60, RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATION OF HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULA AROUND CLUSTERS OF STUDY AND CLUSTER MAJORS, SO AS TO REORGANIZE THE CURRICULA AROUND CAREER PATHWAYS AND TO PROMOTE RELATED INCREASED AWARENESS AND CAREER COUNSELING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-53-30 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH COMMON MINIMUM ADMISSIONS SCORES FOR ITS INSTITUTIONS, TO PROVIDE VARIATIONS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO PROVIDE ADVICE INSTITUTIONS SHOULD GIVE INDIVIDUALS WHO MEET THESE MINIMUM SCORES; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-360, RELATING TO TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS WHO ATTEND TECHNICAL COLLEGES OR TWO-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, SO AS TO PROVIDE THIS ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS SEEKING CERTAIN BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3800 SO AS TO ALLOW AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR A TAXPAYER WHO EMPLOYS A PUBLIC SCHOOL K4-12 TEACHER AS AN INTERN, TO PROVIDE THAT THE INTERNSHIP MUST BE APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE TEACHER IS EMPLOYED BASED ON CRITERIA PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION AND THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TRANSFERRING ADULT BASIC EDUCATION AND ADULT SECONDARY EDUCATION TO THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION AND HOW TO BEST USE CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTERS TO PROVIDE IMPROVED AND UPDATED TECHNICAL EDUCATION; TO AMEND SECTION 59-111-110, RELATING TO CERTAIN PEOPLE EXEMPT FROM PAYING TUITION TO ATTEND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, SO AS TO INCLUDE FULL-TIME CERTIFIED CLASSROOM TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN SCHOOLS WITH ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF BELOW AVERAGE OR UNSATISFACTORY FOR THREE OF THE FOUR PRECEDING YEARS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-111-155 SO AS TO PROVIDE A NECESSARY DEFINITION; BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-360 SO AS TO PROVIDE SCHOOL BOARDS MAY REIMBURSE TEACHERS WHO MUST TRAVEL MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE MILES EACH WAY BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL FOR MILEAGE AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED THE FEDERAL RATE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-350, RELATING TO SCHOOLS OF CHOICE, SO AS TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS INSTEAD MAY CREATE MULTIPLE SCHOOLS OF INNOVATION; BY ADDING SECTION 59-8-1115 SO AS TO
PROVIDE SCHOOLS RECEIVING OVERALL RATINGS OF “GOOD” OR “EXCELLENT” ON THEIR ANNUAL REPORT CARDS FOR AT LEAST TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS MAY HIRE NONCERTIFIED TEACHERS FOR UP TO TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF ITS TEACHING STAFF AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONCERTIFIED TEACHERS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-25 SO AS TO PROVIDE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY SUBMIT SEPARATE AND DISTINCT EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS FOR ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR APPROVAL, TO PROVIDE THESE PROGRAMS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE NATIONALLY ACCREDITED BUT MUST MEET CERTAIN OTHER REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNUALLY SHALL REPORT RELATED DATA TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO AMEND SECTION 59-26-20, RELATING TO DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION CONCERNING THE TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, AND EVALUATION OF PUBLIC EDUCATORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL PROMULGATE REGULATIONS REGARDING A CYCLICAL EVALUATION PROCESS FOR APPROVED TEACHER EDUCATOR PROGRAMS, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED REQUIREMENTS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-26-35 SO AS TO IMPROVE THE MEANS FOR EVALUATING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS BY PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLICATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA TEACHER PREPARATION REPORT CARD; BY ADDING SECTION 59-26-120 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL PROVIDE CERTAIN EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS WITH CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING GRADUATES OF THOSE PROGRAMS, TO PROVIDE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS MAY NOT SHARE IDENTIFIABLE EDUCATOR DATA WITH THIRD PARTIES WITHOUT WRITTEN CONSENT, AND TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT; BY ADDING SECTION 59-25-52 SO AS TO INCREASE EFFORTS TO RETAIN EDUCATORS BY CONDUCTING A SEMIANNUAL WORKPLACE SATISFACTION OPINION SURVEY OF SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF THE RESULTS OF THESE SURVEYS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-20-50, RELATING TO TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULES, SO AS TO DELETE EXISTING LANGUAGE AND PROVIDE DISTRICTS MAY PAY TEACHERS ANNUAL SALARIES AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE MINIMUM STARTING SCHEDULE FOR THEIR EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM STARTING SALARY FOR NEW TEACHERS, TO PROVIDE THIS STARTING SALARY MUST BE ESTABLISHED WITH THE GOAL OF REACHING THE SOUTHEASTERN AVERAGE, AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO MAKE CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A PLAN TO REMOVE THE EXISTING TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULE AND IMPLEMENT BETWEEN FIVE AND NINE CAREER BANDS, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY ADDING ARTICLE 16 TO CHAPTER 18, TITLE 59 SO AS TO PROVIDE REVISED ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-17-15 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP AND PROVIDE CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-39-100, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS, SO AS TO PROVIDE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL UNITS OF STUDY FOR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS BEGINNING WITH STUDENTS ENTERING NINTH GRADE IN THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR; BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 19, TITLE 59 SO AS TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMINOLOGY, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD GOVERNANCE AND BOARD MEMBER CONDUCT, TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT A MODEL CODE OF ETHICS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER CONDUCT, TO PROVIDE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS SHALL ADOPT CODES OF ETHICS BASED ON THIS MODEL CODE, TO PROVIDE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS SHALL ADOPT NEPOTISM POLICIES THAT MEET CERTAIN MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS, TO PROHIBIT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE REFERRAL OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST ALLEGATIONS TO THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION UPON A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT FOR SUCH A VOTE, TO REQUIRE NOTICE TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION WHEN A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCREDITING BODY PLACES A DISTRICT OR SCHOOL ON A LEVEL OF ACCREDITATION THAT IMMEDIATELY PRECEDES ACCREDITATION LOSS FOR GOVERNANCE REASONS, TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL CONDUCT A HEARING ON THE MATTER AND MAY RECOMMEND SUSPENSION OF A BOARD TO THE GOVERNOR, AND TO PROVIDE THE GOVERNOR MAY SUSPEND AN ENTIRE BOARD AND APPOINT A TEMPORARY BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 59-18-920, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE PERFORMANCE OF STUDENTS IN CHARTER SCHOOLS SPONSORED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST BE INCLUDED IN OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATINGS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THIS REQUIREMENT ALSO APPLIES TO CHARTER SCHOOLS SPONSORED BY REGISTERED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-19-55 SO AS TO PROVIDE SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS SHALL
COMPLY WITH CERTAIN ETHICS PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; BY ADDING SECTION 8-13-810 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL NOTIFY THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION OF ANY SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE WHO FAILS TO COMPLETE REQUIRED ETHICS TRAINING, TO PROVIDE FAILURE OF A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER TO COMPLETE THIS TRAINING CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF THE STATE ETHICS ACT AND SUBJECTS THE MEMBER TO CERTAIN CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES, TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ALSO MAY IMPOSE ORAL OR WRITTEN WARNINGS OR REPRIMANDS, AND TO PROVIDE TRUSTEES MUST BE PROVIDED NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE THEIR POSITION ON THE SCHOOL BOARD MAY BE TERMINATED FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STATE ETHICS ACT; TO AMEND SECTION 1-3-240, RELATING TO STATE AND COUNTY OFFICIALS SUBJECT TO REMOVAL FROM OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, SO AS TO INCLUDE SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-45, RELATING TO MANDATORY ORIENTATION FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT A MODEL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS WHICH DISTRICTS SHALL ADOPT, TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL ADOPT LOCAL TRAINING PROGRAMS, AND TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS SHALL PROVIDE SUCH TRAINING TO BOARD MEMBERS WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER TAKING OFFICE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-60, RELATING TO THE REMOVAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEES, SO AS TO REVISE THE GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL, THE MANNER OF REMOVAL, AND PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE FILLING OF SEATS VACATED BY REMOVAL, AMONG OTHER THINGS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-1-444 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST ALL REPORTS, STUDIES, PUBLISHED FINDINGS, MEMORANDA, GUIDELINES, RULES, AND CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS ON ITS INTERNET WEBSITE WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AFTER BEING MADE PUBLIC, TO PROVIDE THE POSTING MUST BE IN A CERTAIN FORM AND MANNER EASILY LOCATABLE AND ACCESSIBLE FOR VIEWING AND DOWNLOADING BY THE PUBLIC, AND TO SUBJECT THE DEPARTMENT TO CERTAIN MONETARY FINES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE; TO AMEND SECTION 59-19-90, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE RULES ADOPTED BY THESE BOARDS MUST ALIGN WITH APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARDS; AND TO REPEAL ARTICLE 15 OF CHAPTER 18, TITLE 59 RELATING TO INTERVENTION AND ASSISTANCE UNDER THE EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY ACT AND SECTION 59-59-30 RELATING TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT.

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03/04/19 Scrivener's error corrected
H 3781 General Bill, By White
Summary: Gambling disorder

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 11-11-250 SO AS TO CREATE THE "HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND" WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER; BY ADDING SECTION 44-49-90 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES OR OTHER CERTAIN NONPROFITS FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF COMPULSIVE GAMBLING DISORDER; TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-20, RELATING TO THE PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020 A STUDENT SHALL RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP BASED ON CREDIT HOURS ATTEMPTED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-25, RELATING TO AN ADDITIONAL PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP STIPEND, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020, NEW STUDENTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE STIPEND; TO AMEND SECTION 59-149-10, RELATING TO THE LIFE SCHOLARSHIP, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020, A STUDENT SHALL RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP BASED ON CREDIT HOURS ATTEMPTED; TO AMEND SECTION 59-149-15, RELATING TO AN ADDITIONAL LIFE SCHOLARSHIP STIPEND, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020, NEW STUDENTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE STIPEND; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-230, RELATING TO UNCLAIMED LOTTERY PRIZE MONEY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT UNCLAIMED PRIZE MONEY MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-350, RELATING TO THE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE EDUCATION LOTTERY ACCOUNT, SO AS TO DELETE PROVISIONS ON WHAT THE EDUCATION LOTTERY ACCOUNT PROCEEDS MAY BE CERTIFIED TO FUND; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-370, RELATING TO HOPE SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020, A STUDENT SHALL RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP BASED ON CREDIT HOURS ATTEMPTED; TO REPEAL SECTION 59-150-355 RELATING TO THE EDUCATION LOTTERY APPROPRIATIONS AND USES; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 59-150-380 RELATING TO THE EDUCATION LOTTERY TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM.

01/29/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 15)

H 3804 General Bill, By Bannister, Rose, Loftis, Caskey, Rutherford, Bernstein, Collins, Fry, Hewitt, B. Cox and Elliott
Summary: Fundamental Fairness in College Discipline Act of 2019

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "FUNDAMENTAL FAIRNESS IN COLLEGE DISCIPLINE ACT OF 2019" BY ADDING ARTICLE 4 TO CHAPTER 101, TITLE 59 ENTITLED "DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE DUE PROCESS", TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO ESTABLISH THE REQUIREMENTS OF A PROCEEDING, TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF A STUDENT WHO IS SUBJECT TO A PROCEEDING, TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE DISCLOSURE OF EVIDENCE RELATING TO THE PROCEEDING, TO REQUIRE WRITTEN STATEMENTS ENTERED AS EVIDENCE TO BE NOTARIZED, TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN...
DOCUMENTS FROM BEING USED AS EVIDENCE WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF BOTH PARTIES, TO ALLOW FOR THE INFORMAL DISPOSITION OF A PROCEEDING IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, TO PROHIBIT IRRELEVANT, IMMATERIAL, OR UNDULY REPETITIVE EVIDENCE FROM BEING ADMITTED, TO APPLY THE STANDARDS FOR PRIVILEGE OF THE STATE TO A PARTY IN A PROCEEDING, TO ALLOW THE SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE IN WRITTEN FORM IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, TO REQUIRE A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING BE MADE AND TO ENUMERATE THE REQUIRED CONTENTS OF THE RECORD, TO ALLOW A PARTY TO REQUEST A RECORDING OF THE PROCEEDING FOR TRANSCRIPTION, TO REQUIRE THE PRESIDING PERSON TO BE IMPARTIAL, TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRESIDING PERSON TO MAKE A DECISION, TO REQUIRE AN INSTITUTION TO PROVIDE A STUDENT THE INTERNAL APPEALS PROCEDURE IF THE DECISION OF THE INSTITUTION IS ADVERSE TO THE STUDENT, TO ALLOW THE STUDENT OR INSTITUTION TO APPEAL TO THE CIRCUIT COURT OR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT, TO ESTABLISH A PRESUMPTION OF NONVIOLATION FOR THE STUDENT AND THE BURDEN OF PROOF FOR THE INSTITUTION, TO REQUIRE ANY PUNISHMENT TO BE REASONABLE AND PROPORTIONATE TO THE VIOLATION, TO ALLOW THE CIRCUIT COURT OR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT TO ISSUE AN INJUNCTION AND ALLOW FOR THE AWARD OF ATTORNEY’S FEES AND COSTS, AND TO ALLOW AN INSTITUTION IMMEDIATELY TO SUSPEND A STUDENT FOR ALLEGED MISCONDUCT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

01/30/19  House  Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 21)
01/30/19  House  Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 21)
02/06/19  House  Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Collins
02/07/19  House  Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Fry, Hewitt
03/06/19  House  Member(s) request name added as sponsor: B.Cox, Elliott

H 3921 General Bill, By Norrell
Summary: Sexual assault and harassment allegations
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-105-45 SO AS TO PROVIDE EACH INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING SHALL PROVIDE OPTIONS FOR EMPLOYEES OR ENROLLED STUDENTS TO ELECTRONICALLY REPORT ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL HARRASSMENT, SEXUAL ASSAULT, DATING VIOLENCE, OR STALKING COMMITTED AGAINST OR WITNESSED BY THE STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS REPORTING OPTION, AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN RELATED PROTOCOLS MUST COMPLY WITH THESE PROVISIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-105-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE CAMPUS SEXUAL ASSAULT INFORMATION ACT, SO AS TO DEFINE AND REDEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-105-40, RELATING TO CAMPUS SEXUAL ASSAULT POLICIES, SO AS TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS OF THE POLICIES TO MAKE THEM APPLICABLE TO CAMPUS EMPLOYEES, TO REQUIRE STUDENT ORIENTATIONS CONCERNING THE POLICIES, TO REQUIRE DISTRIBUTION OF POLICIES AT THESE ORIENTATIONS AND BY EMAIL, TO REQUIRE INSTITUTIONS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN COUNSELING TO ALLEGED VICTIMS, PERPETRATORS, AND WITNESSES, AND TO REQUIRE INSTITUTIONS TO ALLOW ALLEGED VICTIMS AND PERPETRATORS OF REPORTED INCIDENTS OF CAMPUS SEXUAL ASSAULT TO WITHDRAW WITHOUT ACADEMIC PENALTY FROM COURSES IN WHICH BOTH ARE ENROLLED; AND TO REQUIRE INSTITUTIONS TO ADOPT MODIFIED COMPLIANT POLICIES WITHIN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, AND TO MAKE OTHER PROVISIONS APPLICABLE BEGINNING WITH THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.
02/07/19  House  Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 3)
02/07/19  House  Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 3)

H 3922 General Bill, By Norrell
Summary: Disciplinary action; provide institutions of higher ed may not take disciplinary action against students who report sexually related misconduct in good faith
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-105-65 SO AS TO PROVIDE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING MAY NOT TAKE DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT AGAINST STUDENTS WHO IN GOOD FAITH REPORT BEING VICTIMS OF OR WITNESSES TO CERTAIN SEXUALLY RELATED MISCONDUCT, TO PROVIDE INSTITUTIONS MAY INVESTIGATE TO DETERMINE WHETHER REPORTS OF SUCH INCIDENTS WERE MADE IN GOOD FAITH, TO PROVIDE DETERMINATIONS THAT STUDENTS WHO ARE ENTITLED TO SUCH AMNESTY MAY NOT BE REVOKED, TO EXEMPT
STUDENTS WHO REPORT THEIR OWN MISCONDUCT FROM THESE AMNESTY PROVISIONS, AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE PROVISIONS DO NOT OTHERWISE LIMIT THE ABILITY OF INSTITUTIONS TO PROVIDE AMNESTY FROM ITS OTHER POLICIES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-105-20, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS IN THE CAMPUS SEXUAL ASSAULT INFORMATION ACT, SO AS TO DEFINE AND REDEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

H 3936 General Bill, By Davis, Daning, Chellis, Thigpen, Pendarvis, Erickson, Jefferson, R. Williams and Brown

Summary: Palmetto Fellows Scholarship

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO ELIGIBILITY FOR PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO INCLUDE TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES AMONG INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING WHOSE STUDENTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SCHOLARSHIPS.

H 3972 General Bill, By Elliott, G.R. Smith, Loftis, Burns, B. Cox, Willis, Cogswell, Bannister and Mace

Summary: SC Course Access Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA COURSE ACCESS ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 8 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO PROVIDE A CITATION, TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS, TO CREATE A STATE COURSE ACCESS PROGRAM THROUGH WHICH ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MAY TAKE COURSES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION TO BE OFFERED BY CERTAIN PROVIDERS, TO PROVIDE CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES RELATED TO THE AUTHORIZATION OF THESE COURSES, TO PERMIT RECIPROCITY AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER STATES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DETERMINATION OF TUITION RATES, AND TO PROVIDE RELATED DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

H 4003 General Bill, By Huggins and Wooten

Summary: Military Priority Registration Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "MILITARY PRIORITY REGISTRATION ACT"; AND BY ADDING SECTION 59-103-37 SO AS TO PROVIDE PRIORITY COURSE ENROLLMENT FOR MILITARY-RELATED STUDENTS, AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMINOLOGY.
H 4022 General Bill, By Mace
Summary: Workforce Education Act
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 29 TO CHAPTER 53, TITLE 59 SO AS TO ENACT THE "WORKFORCE EDUCATION ACT", TO PROVIDE THE STATE BOARD FOR TECHNICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION SHALL CREATE PARAMETERS AND GUIDELINES FOR A FIVE-YEAR SOUTH CAROLINA WORKFORCE EDUCATION SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE PILOT PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE FOR GOVERNANCE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT A REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

H 4023 General Bill, By Long and Magnuson
Similar (S 0423, H 3134)
Summary: Weapons on school property
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 16-23-420, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE POSSESSION OF A FIREARM ON A POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION'S PROPERTY SO AS TO DELETE THE RESTRICTIONS PLACED ON A HOLDER OF A CONCEALED WEAPON PERMIT ON CARRYING A FIREARM ON POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL PROPERTY, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 23-31-215, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS, SO AS TO DELETE THE RESTRICTION PLACED ON THE CARRYING OF A WEAPON INTO A COLLEGE ATHLETIC EVENT, AND TO DELETE AN OBSOLETE CODE REFERENCE, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES.

H 4076 General Bill, By Tallon, Hixon, Johnson, W. Newton and R. Williams
Summary: Boards appointed by Governor or governing body of higher ed or commissions
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 1-30-135 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN AGENCY OR INSTRUMENTALITY IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT OR A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING WITH A GOVERNING BOARD OR COMMISSION SHALL PROVIDE INCUMBENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND NEW MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WITH A WRITTEN DOCUMENT OUTLINING THE AGENCY'S, INSTRUMENTALITY'S, OR INSTITUTION'S STATUTORY DUTIES AND POWERS, WHICH INCUMBENT BOARD MEMBERS MUST SIGN WITHIN NINETY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION AND WHICH NEW BOARD MEMBERS MUST SIGN WITHIN NINETY DAYS AFTER TAKING OFFICE.

H 4208 General Bill, By Norrell
Summary: Campus Safety
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-116-35 SO AS TO PROVIDE PRIVATE COLLEGE CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY DEPARTMENTS ARE THE LEGAL CUSTODIANS OF CERTAIN RECORDS RELATED TO CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS AND CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT, TO PROVIDE SUCH RECORDS ARE NOT PUBLIC RECORDS FOR PURPOSES OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, TO PROVIDE THESE DEPARTMENTS SHALL MAKE THESE RECORDS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY ANY PERSON, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS, TO PROVIDE THESE DEPARTMENTS SHALL FURNISH COPIES OF THESE RECORDS BUT MAY CHARGE ACTUAL COPY COSTS, TO PROVIDE REMEDIES FOR
H 4264 General Bill, By Ridgeway and Wheeler
Summary: Tuition exemptions
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-111-110, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO CERTAIN PEOPLE EXEMPT FROM PAYING TUITION TO ATTEND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR YEARS, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE CHILDREN OF FULL-TIME LICENSED PHYSICIANS WHO RESIDE AND PRACTICE IN MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREAS OF THIS STATE FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME.

H 4296 General Bill, By Loftis, Burns and Chumley
Similar (S 0035)
Summary: Reinforcing College Education on America's Constitutional Heritage Act or REACH Act
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "REINFORCING COLLEGE EDUCATION ON AMERICA'S CONSTITUTIONAL HERITAGE ACT" OR THE "REACH ACT"; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-120, RELATING TO THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION REQUISITE FOR GRADUATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT EACH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, AND THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION TO EACH STUDENT; TO AMEND SECTION 59-29-130, RELATING TO THE DURATION OF INSTRUCTION IN THE ESSENTIALS OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT EACH INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING MUST PROVIDE INSTRUCTION CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, THE FEDERALIST PAPERS, THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, AND THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION TO EACH UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT FOR THREE SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS; TO REPEAL SECTION 59-29-140 RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROGRAM OF STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION; AND TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL SUBMIT CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT TO THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS TO SEEK AN ADVISORY OPINION REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PROVISIONS.

H 4368 Joint Resolution, By House Regulations and Administrative Procedures
Summary: Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Program (D. No. 4816)
A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, RELATING TO PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4816, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-59-215 SO AS TO MAKE DUAL ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS BEGINNING WITH THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR, TO PROVIDE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS MUST SATISFY TO TAKE DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES, TO MAKE LOTTERY TUITION ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT CREDITS, AND TO PROVIDE THIS ASSISTANCE DOES NOT REQUIRE STUDENTS TO TAKE ANY MINIMUM NUMBER OF DUAL ENROLLMENT CREDITS.

04/04/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 48)
04/04/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 48)

H 4453 General Bill, By Elliott, Bannister and Clary
Summary: State Institution of Higher Education Efficiency Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 157 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO ENACT THE "STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION EFFICIENCY ACT", TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH BY RESOLUTION AN AUXILIARY DIVISION AS PART OF THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN ASSETS, PROGRAMS, AND OPERATIONS OF THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO THE AUXILIARY DIVISION, TO PROVIDE THAT THE AUXILIARY DIVISION IS EXEMPT FROM VARIOUS STATE LAWS GOVERNING PROCUREMENT, HUMAN RESOURCES, PERSONNEL, AND THE DISPOSITION OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, TO PROVIDE THAT BONDS, NOTES, OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS MAY BE ISSUED FOR THE AUXILIARY DIVISION, AND TO PROVIDE AUDIT AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 8-11-260, RELATING TO EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PROVISIONS OF STATE PERSONNEL REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO EXEMPT EMPLOYEES OF INSTITUTIONS TO WHICH THE HIGHER EDUCATION EFFICIENCY ACT APPLIES; TO AMEND SECTION 11-35-310, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED PROCUREMENT CODE, SO AS TO ADD DEFINITIONS OF "RESEARCH INSTITUTION" AND "INSTITUTION"; TO AMEND SECTION 11-35-1210, RELATING TO CERTIFICATION FOR DIRECT PROCUREMENTS, SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH DIRECT PROCUREMENTS MAY BE MADE; TO AMEND SECTION 11-35-1230, RELATING TO AUDITING AND FISCAL REPORTING, SO AS TO REVISE THE MANNER IN WHICH INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING ARE AUDITED; AND BY ADDING SUBARTICLE 11 TO ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 35, TITLE 11 SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE AUTHORITY OF RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS TO UNDERTAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS, INCLUDING PURCHASING AND THE APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS.

04/11/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 75)
04/11/19 House Referred to Committee on Ways and Means (House Journal-page 75)

H 4575 General Bill, By White
Summary: Palmetto Fellows Scholarship

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-104-20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020 A STUDENT SHALL RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP BASED ON CREDIT HOURS ATTEMPTED; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-149-10, RELATING TO THE LIFE SCHOLARSHIP, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT BEGINNING IN SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020, A STUDENT SHALL RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP BASED ON CREDIT HOURS ATTEMPTED.

05/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 87)
05/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 87)

H 4576 General Bill, By White
Similar (S 0283, S 0298)
Summary: State Institution of Higher Education Enterprise Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 7 TO CHAPTER 11, TITLE 11 SO AS TO PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDING TO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN THE SAME PERCENTAGE AS GENERAL FUND REVENUES INCREASE, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS AND TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE FUNDING, AND TO ESTABLISH THE HIGHER
EDUCATION FACILITIES REPAIR AND RENOVATION FUND TO PROVIDE INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING; BY ADDING SECTIONS 59-149-170, 59-149-180, 59-104-50, AND 59-104-60 SO AS TO NORMALIZE THE TEN-POINT GRADING SCALE FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-370, RELATING TO THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP, SO AS TO NORMALIZE THE TEN-POINT GRADING SCALE FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY; BY ADDING SECTIONS 59-142-80 AND 59-143-40 SO AS TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE NEED-BASED GRANT PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FUTURE FUNDING; TO AMEND SECTION 59-143-30, RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS, SO AS TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR GRANT PROGRAMS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 59-104-25 AND 59-149-15, RELATING TO CERTAIN STEM STIPENDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STIPEND IS AVAILABLE WHEN THE STUDENT BECOMES A JUNIOR INSTEAD OF A SOPHOMORE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-142-90 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE APPROPRIATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR NEED-BASED GRANTS AND NEED-BASED TUITION GRANTS; TO REPEAL SECTIONS 59-104-20(D), AND 59-149-150 BOTH RELATING TO CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIP PROVISIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-150-370, RELATING TO SCHOLARSHIPS, SO AS TO MAKE A CONFORMING CHANGE; BY ADDING SECTION 59-103-175 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SUBMIT POLICY STATEMENTS AND RULES AS REGULATIONS; TO REQUIRE THE PROCUREMENT OF A STUDENT LOAN DEFAULT AVERTION AND FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAM; BY ADDING CHAPTER 157 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO CREATE THE "STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION ENTERPRISE ACT"; AND TO AMEND SECTION 11-35-710, RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE, SO AS TO EXEMPT AN ENTERPRISE DIVISION.

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05/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 87)

H 4596 General Bill, By Finlay and Hill
Summary: College and University governing board vacancies
A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 2-20-320, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF SOUTH CAROLINA'S STATE-SUPPORTED COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON IS INELIGIBLE TO SERVE ON ONE OF THE BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS ENUMERATED IN SECTION 2-20-320 IF, WITHIN THE PREVIOUS TWELVE MONTHS, THAT PERSON MADE A CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION TO A MEMBER OF OR A CANDIDATE FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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05/09/19 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 109)
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