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South Carolina Legislative/Election Update - June 13, 2014

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This issue includes information regarding Governor Haley's budget vetoes, various news items, results from this week's primary, and meetings scheduled for next week. The General Assembly will return on June 17, 2014, to discuss gubernatorial vetoes, conference reports and other matters pursuant to the *Sine Die* resolution, H. 5282.

General Assembly

Gubernatorial Vetoes - Annual Appropriation Bill H. 4701

Governor Haley vetoed over 70 provisions from the annual appropriation bill, which is close to \$18.5 million in cuts. Highlights include the elimination of an increase in a legislative district expense, the elimination of \$2 million from the Lieutenant Governor's budget for caregivers, deletion of a Medicaid expansion study committee, and several projects for various colleges and other departments.

In the News

Pat McKinney drops out of lieutenant governor's race

Retired Charleston developer Pat McKinney decided Thursday to drop out of the race for lieutenant governor, his campaign manager said. [Read more here.](#)

Gov. Haley to announce jobs thousands of new jobs

Gov. Nikki Haley and regional officials are expected to announce next week that two, and possibly three, companies will bring more than 6,000 jobs to York and Chester counties. On June 16, Haley is scheduled to announce an automotive-related manufacturer will open a plant in Chester County. The company, which has not been identified, is expected to invest \$560 million and employ 1,500. Later that day, Haley is scheduled to announce at least one York County office project. Sources say a second office project could be announced that day too. Sources have told The Herald that the two projects represent an investment of more than \$200 million and more than 5,000 jobs. [Read more here.](#)

Former SC House Speaker Rex Carter passes away

Former S.C. House Speaker Rex Carter died Monday at his Greenville home. He was 88. [Read more here.](#)

Former SC Senator Dick Elliott dies at age 78

Former South Carolina legislator Dick Elliott, who represented coastal Horry County and the Pee Dee for 30 years in the Statehouse, is dead at age 78.

Fight could end College of Charleston's research university plans

An ongoing squabble between state senators and the lieutenant governor is threatening a bill that would allow the College of Charleston to become a research university. The fight could take with it measures designed to relieve public colleges from some state regulation of construction projects and land purchases, oversight that the schools say costs them time and money. [Read more here.](#)

Primary Election Results

Below are the results from Tuesday's primary races for U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, State Constitutional Offices, and a few South Carolina House of Representatives races determining the nominees for the Republican and Democratic parties for the general election in November. Any runoffs will be held on June 24, 2014.

United States Senate**1. U.S. Senate - Term Expires 2015****Republican**

Det Bowers 7.31% 22,192

Lee Bright 15.61% 47,385

Richard Cash 7.93% 24,065

Bill Connor 5.27% 16,000

Benjamin Dunn 1.01% 3,081

Lindsey Graham (I) 56.63% 171,955 (Winner)

Nancy Mace 6.25% 18,966

Democrat

Brad Hutto 76.61% 85,128 (Winner)

Jay Stamper 23.39% 25,995

2. U.S. Senate - Term Expires 2017 - Special Election

Republican

Tim Scott (I) 90.17% 265,405 (Winner)

Randall Young 9.83% 28,923

Democrat

Joyce Dickerson 65.46% 70,984 (Winner)

Sidney Moore 23.49% 25,472

Harry Pavilack 11.05% 11,977

United States House of Representatives

1. Second Congressional District

Republican

Eddie McCain 18.40% 9,818

Joe Wilson (I) 81.60% 43,528 (Winner)

Democrat

Phil Black 54.17% 6,661 (Winner)

Ed Greenleaf 45.83% 5,636

2. Third Congressional District - Winner of the Democratic Primary will face Congressman Jeff Duncan (R) in the General Election.

Democrat

Hosea Cleveland 33.39% 2,496

Barbara Jo Mullis 66.61% 4,979 (Winner)

3. Sixth Congressional District

Republican

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Anthony Culler 66.44% 10,340 (Winner)

Leon Winn 33.56% 5,222

Democrat

Jim Clyburn (I) 85.98% 36,691 (Winner)

Karen Smith 14.02% 5,983

State Constitutional Officers

1. Lieutenant Governor - Runoff will be held June 24, 2014, between Henry McMaster and Mike Campbell. The Runoff winner will face Democrat Bakari Sellers in the General Election.

Republican

Mike Campbell 23.70% 68,522 (Runoff TBD)

Pat McKinney 24.12% 69,739 (Withdrawn)

Henry McMaster 44.13% 127,594 (Runoff)

Ray Moore 8.05% 23,287

2. State Treasurer - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Brian Adams 37.17% 102,295

Curtis Loftis (I) 62.83% 172,948 (Winner)

3. State Superintendent of Education - Democrats and Republicans will have to return to the ballot box on June 24 to determine their candidates for the general election in November. Shelia Gallagher and Tom Thompson will face each other in the Democratic runoff and Molly Spearman will face Sally Atwater in the Republican runoff.

Democrat

Montrio Belton Sr 18.52% 20,883

Sheila C Gallagher 36.32% 40,951 (Runoff)

Jerry Govan 18.78% 21,179

Tom Thompson 26.38% 29,749 (Runoff)

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Republican

Sally Atwater 21.99% 61,092 (Runoff)

Gary Burgess 10.55% 29,305

Meka Bosket Childs 6.69% 18,573

Amy Cofield 7.19% 19,980

Sheri Few 19.60% 54,431

Don Jordan 5.53% 15,366

Elizabeth Moffly 6.09% 16,929

Molly Spearman 22.35% 62,091 (Runoff)

4. Adjutant General – Republican – Winner Unopposed in the General Election

James Breazeale 24.13% 64,071

Bob Livingston (I) 75.87% 201,410 (Winner)

5. Commissioner of Agriculture – Republican – Winner will face American Party candidate Emile DeFelice and United Citizens candidate David Edmond in the General Election.

Joe Farmer 34.33% 93,472

Hugh E Weathers (I) 65.67% 178,840 (Winner)

Governor Nikki Haley is set to face off against State Senator Vincent Sheheen in the race for Governor in the fall. While unopposed in the Primary Elections, Attorney General Alan Wilson, Comptroller General Richard Eckstrom, and Secretary of State Mark Hammond, all Republicans, will face Democratic challengers Parnell Diggs, Kyle Herbert, and Ginny Deerin, respectively, in the General Election.

South Carolina House of Representatives

1. District 3 – Republican – Winner faces Libertarian Travis McCurry in the General Election

Gary E Clary 56.54% 1,716 (Winner)

Ed Harris 43.46% 1,319

2. District 4 – Republican – Winner Unopposed in the General Election

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Davey Hiott (I) 59.37% 2,771 (Winner)

Michelle Wiles 40.63% 1,896

3. District 5 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Neal Collins 63.31% 2,316 (Winner)

Harley Staton 9.24% 338

Rick Tate 27.45% 1,004

4. District 8 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Don Bowen (I) 42.72% 1,493

Jonathon Hill 57.28% 2,002 (Winner)

5. District 17 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Mike Burns (I) 80.35% 2,964 (Winner)

Joshua Cook 19.65% 725

6. District 18 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Tommy Stringer (I) 79.44% 2,697 (Winner)

Valerie Wade 20.56% 698

7. District 20 - Republican - Running against Democrat Jonathan Eames in the General Election

Justin Alexander 23.33% 966

Dan Hamilton (I) 76.67% 3,174 (Winner)

8. District 21 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Phyllis Henderson (I) 80.95% 3,120 (Winner)

Steve Mauriello 19.05% 734

9. District 24 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Bruce Bannister (I) 89.71% 3,349 (Winner)

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Bang N Hall 3.59% 134

Gary Titcomb 6.70% 250

10. District 34 - Republican - Running against Democrat Michael Thompson in the General Election

Mike Forrester (I) 57.31% 1,901 (Winner)

Gaye Holt 42.69% 1,416

11. District 37 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Donna Hicks Wood (I) 74.42% 1,847 (Winner)

Heather Wood 25.58% 635

12. District 41 - Democrat - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

MaryGail Douglas (I) 63.66% 1,696 (Winner)

William Budda Killian 36.34% 968

13. District 42 - Republican - Running against Incumbent Democrat Michael Anthony in the General Election

Mark Cathcart 46.93% 779

David Tribble 53.07% 881 (Winner)

14. District 50 - Democrat - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Brian Alston 42.44% 1,494

Grady Brown (I) 57.56% 2,026 (Winner)

15. District 53 - Democrat - Running against Republican Richie Yow in the General Election

Amy M Brown 51.30% 2,093 (Winner)

Anthony Waymyers 48.70% 1,987

16. District 54 - Democrat - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Pat Henegan 48.37% 1,963 (Winner)

Greg Ohanesian 25.92% 1,052

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Fred Thomas 25.70% 1,043

17. District 56 – Republican – Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Dennis DiSabato 44.53% 1,026

Mike Ryhal (I) 55.47% 1,278 (Winner)

18. District 58 – Republican – Runoff

Jeffrey Garland 26.84% 865 (Runoff)

Jeff Johnson 49.80% 1,605 (Runoff)

R A Johnson 23.36% 753

19. District 59 – Democrat – Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Terry Alexander (I) 68.15% 1,821 (Winner)

Alexis D Pipkins Sr 31.85% 851

20. District 79 – Democrat – Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Mia McLeod (I) 81.28% 1,806 (Winner)

Vannie Williams Jr 18.72% 416

21. District 90 – Democrat – Running against Republican Travis Lee Avant in the General Election

Justin Bamberg 54.50% 1,126 (Winner)

Monnie Singleton 45.50% 940

22. District 94 – Republican – Running against Democrat Damian Daly in the General Election

Evan Guthrie 14.85% 471

Jenny Horne (I) 63.77% 2,022 (Winner)

Franklin Smith 21.38% 678

23. District 96 – Republican – Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Perry Finch 30.48% 562

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Kit Spires (I) 69.52% 1,282 (Winner)

24. District 98 - Republican - Running against Democrat Rebekah Patrick in the General Election

Larry Hargett 47.14% 1,221

Chris Murphy (I) 52.86% 1,369 (Winner)

25. District 104 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Greg Duckworth 59.93% 2,366 (Winner)

Tracy R Edge (I) 40.07% 1,582

26. District 110 - Republican - Winner Unopposed in the General Election

Russell Guerard 49.47% 1,829

Chip Limehouse (I) 50.53% 1,868 (Winner)

27. District 119 - Republican - Running against Incumbent Democrat Leon Stavrinakis and Libertarian Candidates Colin Ross and Sean Thornton in the General Election

Chris Cannon 58.21% 1,117 (Winner)

Ken Fipps 41.79% 802

28. District 122 - Democrat - Running against Republican Grady Woods in the General Election

Bill Bowers (I) 57.87% 4,108 (Winner)

Curtis Brantley 42.13% 2,991

Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, June 17

11:00 am -- Gressette Room 105 -- Conference Committee on S.535

I. S. 535 - Clemson University Enterprise Act

12:00 noon -- State House, 3rd Floor Conference Room -- Conference Committee H.3149

I. H. 3149 - Precious Metals

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3:00 pm -- State House, 3rd Floor Conference Room -- Conference Committee on H.4354

I. H. 4354 - Rights of Patients Regarding Medical Records