

# ALERTS

## South Carolina Legislative Update - April 7, 2014

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### *South Carolina General Assembly*

#### **Emma's Law, S. 137**

Emma's Law passed the S.C. House overwhelmingly Wednesday - in an unexpectedly lopsided 112 to 0 vote - after a year-long battle to get through that chamber. The bill could be passed by the S.C. Senate and be on its way to the governor for her signature as early as next week, supporters said Thursday.

#### **CBC Oil, S. 1035/H. 4803**

The S.C. House passed H. 4803 Wednesday that would provide a narrow exception for a type of medical marijuana extract that offers hope for those with severe forms of epilepsy. H. 4803 is a companion bill to S. 1035 that was adopted by the Senate on March 27 and referred to the House Judiciary Committee for review.

### *Introductions*

H. 5026 - Health Enterprise Zone Act

S. 1189 - Distributed Energy Resources and Leasing Program

### *In the News*

#### **Roads may not get funding this year**

The state's crumbling roads and bridges likely won't be getting any new money from the Legislature this year, according to a key lawmaker.

#### **Morning Joe in South Carolina**

MSNBC talk show host Joe Scarborough visited Columbia on Tuesday stoking talk about a 2016 White House run that he has been trying to tamp down.

#### **South Carolina representation**

South Carolina delegates in D.C. are mounting pressure against the president to breathe renewed life into a multibillion-dollar program to reprocess nuclear weapons waste at the Savannah River Site, The Greenville News reports.

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### South Carolina has low tax burden, study says

South Carolina taxpayers may feel like they're paying too much, but taxpayers in only eight other states pay less. That's according to the nonprofit, nonpartisan Tax Foundation, which released its report Wednesday.

### *Meeting Schedule*

#### Tuesday, April 8

**10:00 am** -- Blatt Room 433 -- EPW Motor Vehicles Subcommittee on H.3904, H.4997 and H.5014

I. H. 3904 - Motor Vehicle Dealers

II. H. 4997 - Automobile Dealers License

III. H. 5014 - Commercial Driver's License

**10:00 am** -- Gressette Room 105 -- Joint Bond Review Committee

**10:00 am** -- Blatt Room 523 -- Ways and Means Property Tax Subcommittee

I. H. 3733 - Roll Back Millage Calculation on Green Space

II. H. 4944 - Multi Lot Property Tax Discount

**11:00 am** -- Blatt Room 305 -- Minority Caucus

**11:00 am** -- Blatt Room 112 -- Majority Caucus

**11:00 am** -- Blatt Room 521 -- Ways and Means K-16 Building Need and Utilization Study Committee

I. H. 4518 - Prohibition of Lottery Expenditures for Capital Improvement Projects

**1 hours after the House adjourns** -- Blatt Room 521 -- Ways and Means Committee

I. H. 3112 - Military Retirement Income

II. H. 3834 - Solar Energy Income Tax Credit

III. H. 4828 - Retirement Systems for Judges - Administrative Law Judges

IV. H. 4602 - School District Debt Obligations

V. H. 4632 - MUSC College of Charleston Merger

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**Upon adjournment of the Judiciary Committee** -- Blatt Room 516 -- Judiciary Constitutional Laws Subcommittee (Ethics Reform)

**1:00 pm - 3:00 pm** -- State House Grounds -- Legislative Luncheon--South Carolina Realtors

**1 hours after the House adjourns** -- Blatt Room 433 -- EPW K-12 Subcommittee on S.160, H.4061 and H.4914

I. S. 160 - CPR

II. H. 4601 - Sergeant at Arms

III. H. 4914 - Students with a Seizure Condition

**2:30 pm or 1 hours after the House adjourns** -- Blatt Room 427 -- Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee

I. S. 983 - Endometriosis Awareness Month

I. S. 275 - Multijurisdictional Task Force

II. H. 5005 - Municipal Utilities

III. S. 997 - Speech Pathologist and Audiologists

**2:30 pm or 1 hours after the House adjourns** -- Blatt Room 516 -- Judiciary Committee

I. H. 4607 - Trespasser Responsibility Act

II. H. 3958 - Coroners

III. H. 4453 - Campaign Funds

IV. H. 4859 - Military Family Quality of Life Enhancement Act

V. H. 4805 - Election Commission and Board of Registration

VI. H. 4812 - Election Commission

**2:30 pm** -- Blatt Room 410 -- Agriculture Wildlife Subcommittee

I. S. 1071 - Game Zones

II. S. 1070 - Wild Turkey

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III. S. 913 - Falconry

**2:30 pm or 1 hours after the House adjourns** -- Blatt Room 403 -- LCI Health Insurance Subcommittee on H.4996

I. H. 4996 - Health Insurance Policies and Health Maintenance Organizations

**3:00 pm** -- Gressette Room 105 -- Finance Committee on S.569, S.897, H.3125, H.4701 and H.4702

I. S. 569 - Competitive Insurance Act

II. S. 897 - State Health and Dental Insurance - Solicitor's Office

III. H. 3125 - The Microenterprise Development Act

IV. H. 4701 - General Appropriations Bill

V. H. 4702 - Capital Reserve Fund

**3:00 pm** -- Gressette Room 308 -- Judiciary Committee

I. S. 861 - Field Sobriety Tests

II. S. 916 - Trespasser Responsibility Act

III. S. 868 - Clerk of Court or Register of Deeds

IV. S. 723 - Special Purpose Districts

V. S. 869 - Dating Violence

VI. S. 1029 - Criminal Domestic Violence

VII. S. 971 - Magistrates Court

VIII. S. 1086 - Breach of Security of State Agency Data

IX. S. 1163 - Child Abuse and Neglect Registry

X. S. 700 - Destruction of Criminal Records

XI. S. 1076 - Law Enforcement Personnel

XII. S. 755 - Obtaining or Using Personal Information Obtained from a State Agency

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XIII. H. 3024 - Child Abuse

XIV. H. 3833 - Retail Wine/Beer Permit

XV. H. 3512 - Alcoholic Liquors

XVI. H. 3369 - Workers Compensation

**Upon adjournment of the Health Insurance Subcommittee** -- Blatt Room 403 -- LCI Banking and Consumer Affairs Subcommittee on H.4800

I. H. 4800 - Pawn Shops

**4:30 pm** -- Blatt Room 427 -- SC Legislative Black Caucus

**Wednesday, April 9**

**8:00 am - 10:00 am** -- Blatt Room 112 -- Legislative Breakfast--South Carolina Association of Housing Authority Executive Directors (Members Only)

**8:30 am** -- Blatt Room 110 -- National Association of Social Workers South Carolina Chapter

**8:30 am** -- Blatt Room 433 -- Education and Public Works Committee on H.3893, H.4392, H.4458 and H.4840

I. H. 3893 - Statewide Education Standards and Assessments

II. H. 4392 - Issuance of Special Restricted License

III. H. 4458 - Winter Holidays

IV. H. 4840 - High School Equivalency Diploma Accessibility Act

**8:30 am** -- Blatt Room 305 -- Leadership Orangeburg

**9:00 am** -- Gressette Room 207 -- Judiciary Subcommittee on S.1121 and H.4371

I. S. 1121 - Unlawful Trade Practices

II. H. 4371 - Patents

**9:00 am** -- Gressette Room 308 -- Medical Affairs Subcommittee on H.4223

I. H. 4223 - Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

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**9:00 am** -- Gressette Room 209 -- State Regulation of Public Utilities Review Committee

I. Receive and consider the report of the Santee Cooper Screening Subcommittee

**9:00 am** -- Blatt Room 516 -- Judiciary Family and Probate Laws Subcommittee

I. H. 5015 - Relating to Abuse or Neglect Case Information

II. H. 4180 - Relating to Alimony

III. H. 4346 - Registry of Child Abuse & Neglect

**9:00 am** -- Blatt Room 427 -- 3-M Subcommittee II, Medical Occupational Regulation and Licensing Boards

I. H. 5002 - Birth Centers

**9:30 am** -- Gressette Room 406 -- Agriculture and Natural Resources Regulation and Resolution Subcommittee

**9:30 am** -- Blatt Room 321 -- Legislative Group (Rep. Shannon Riley)

**10:00 am** -- Gressette Room 209 -- Fish, Game and Forestry Committee

**10:00 am** -- Gressette Room 307 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Regulatory Subcommittee

**10:00 am** -- Gressette Room 308 -- Education Committee

I. S. 1172 - Arts Commission

II. S. 1094 - In School Fundraisers

III. S. 843 - Bullying

IV. S. 1144 - Employment and Dismissal of Teachers

V. S. 1194 - Summer Reading Program

VI. H. 3428 - First Steps to School Readiness Initiative

VII. H. 4871 - Charter Schools

VIII. H. 4291 - Teachers' Salaries

IX. H. 4646 - Governors School for Science and Mathematics

**10:00 am** -- Gressette Room 407 -- Judiciary Subcommittee on H.3147

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I. H. 3147 - Workers Compensation

**12:00 noon - 2:00 pm** -- State House Grounds -- Legislative Luncheon--Jasper County Chamber of Commerce

**Thursday, April 10**

**8:00 am - 10:00 am** -- Blatt Room 112 -- Legislative Breakfast--South Carolina Association of Convenience Stores

**8:30 am** -- Blatt Room 410 -- Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee

I. S. 1071 - Games Zones

II. S. 1070 - Wild Turkey

III. S. 913—Falconry

**9:00 am** -- Blatt Room 110 -- South Carolina Teaching Fellows

**9:00 am** -- Blatt Room 427 -- 3-M Subcommittee III, Local Government and Corrections Affairs

I. H.4984 - Arts Commission

**9:00 am** -- Blatt Room 516 -- Judiciary Constitutional Laws Subcommittee (Ethics Reform)

**9:00 am** -- Gressette Room 408 -- Judiciary Subcommittee on S.1147

I. S. 1147 - Protective Proceedings

**9:00 am** -- Gressette Room 308 -- Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee

**9:30 am** -- Gressette Room 407 -- Judiciary Subcommittee on S.527, S.83 and S.457

I. S. 527 - Pregnant Women's Protection Act

II. S. 83 - Personhood Act of South Carolina

III. S. 457 - Personhood Act of South Carolina

**9:30 am** -- Gressette Room 209 -- Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee

I. Appointment to State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

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II. Reg. 4425 - Department of Health and Environmental Control - Surface Water Withdrawal, Permitting, Use and Reporting

**10:00 am** -- Gressette Room 207 -- Judiciary Subcommittee on S.773 and S.788

I. S. 773 - Transparency in Private Attorney Contracts Act

II. S. 788 - Noneconomic Damages Limit

**11:30 am** -- Blatt Room 112 -- SC Legislative Black Caucus

**1:00 pm** -- Gressette Room 209 -- Governor's Nuclear Advisory Council