

LWVSC BILLS OF INTEREST 2019

Bills being tracked by the League VP for Issues and Action at the State House are listed below. They range from those on which we have actively lobbied or conducted significant advocacy (see VP for Issues and Action report in Workbook for these) as well as those that we are simply tracking without an expectation that they will receive a hearing.

For full text and legislative history of listed bills, see WWW.SCSTATEHOUSE.GOV. Bills may be accessed in several ways there, including search by bill number and by bill sponsor.

Redistricting

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 6	Setzler & Harpootlian & McLeod	constitutional amendment for redistricting commission, criteria; same as Setzler last year
S.135	Davis, Gregory	constitutional amendment for redistricting commission
S. 230	Fanning, McLeod	Redistricting commission with final vote from General Assembly; criteria excluding protection of incumbents and parties companion bill to H.3054
S. 249	Fanning, McLeod	“Citizens redistricting commission” (Progressive Network redistricting bill)
S. 254	Fanning	another “Citizens Redistricting Commission, similar to S 230, H.3432
H. 3054	Clary, Elliott, Cogswell, Norrell, Wooten, Thigpen, Rose, Bernstein and Henderson-Myers	Redistricting commission with final vote from General Assembly; criteria excluding protection of incumbents and parties
H. 3044	Norrell	Redistricting, joint resolution to amend state constitution
H. 3167	McDaniel	constitutional amendment for redistricting commission
H.3390	Cobb Hunter, Clyburn, Williams	constitutional amendment for redistricting commission
H.3432	Cobb Hunter and S. Williams	Similar 230, 254; so similar to H.3054

JUDICIARY

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 42	Malloy	Judiciary, salaries
S. 285	Talley	Gubernatorial appointment of judges

ACCOUNTABILITY & ETHICS

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 3	Leatherman	Dark money disclosures
S. 111	Massey	SEI expanded disclosures
S. 175	Hembree	No naming public facilities for currently serving officials
S. 184	McElveen, Massey	Campaign finance
S. 210	Young	Require bank statements in support of campaign finance filings
S. 231	Fanning	Prohibit officials from appointing their recent (4 yr) donors
S. 250	Fanning, McLeod	Officials removed for criminal conviction liable for cost of special election, etc.
S. 251	Fanning	Prohibits campaign contributions from utilities
S. 253	Fanning	Requires Ethics Commission to establish new auditing and monitoring dept.
S. 268	McLeod	Term limits for legislators
S. 270	McLeod	Prohibits election of family members of legislators to judiciary
S. 284	Talley	Revision of process for dealing with SEC recommendations to legislative ethics committees
S. 295	Harpoonian	Penalties for violation of prohibition of use of official position for personal gain
H. 3062	Funderburk & McCoy	Whistleblower protection
H. 3045	Norrell	Dark money disclosures
H. 3138	Clary	Ethics reforms
H. 3265	Caskey	Whistleblower protection, utilities
H.3305	Ballentine	Limit on contributions
H.3341	Taylor	Lobbyists
H.3435	Cobb Hunter	State Ethics Commission audits
H.3436	Cobb Hunter	AG campaign finance
H.3622	Rose and McCoy	Local Lobbying
H.4203	Clary	Dark money committee definition

ENVIRONMENT

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S.89	Campsen	Prohibits facilities for offshore drilling
S. 92	Campsen	Water withdrawals
S. 295	Harpoonian	Prohibition on facilities for production of oil/natural gas
H.3382	Norrell and Rose	Environmental bill of rights
S.394	Massey	Plastic bag ban

ELECTIONS & VOTING

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 182	McElveen, Harpootlian, Johnson	Calls for new machines with paper audit trail, allows computer ballot marking
S. 140	Scott	Hearings and General Assembly approval for machines
S. 141	Scott	Absentee ballot tabulation
S. 142	Scott	Early voting
S. 202	Young	Post-election audits
S. 261	Goldfinch	Changes in general election law regarding dates
H.3304	Terry Alexander	Hand marked paper, non-proprietary system
H. 3031	Funderburk	Election schedule and other reforms
H. 3038	Gilliard	Poll worker compensation
H. 3040	King	Same day registration
H. 3041	King	Automatic voter registration
H. 3043	Bernstein, Powers Norrell. Finlay	Voting systems
H. 3129	Taylor	Nominating process, single parties
H. 3179	Cobb Hunter & Rutherford	Voting by mail
H. 3266	Clyburn	Early voting
H.3302	Bernstein, Finlay etc	Voting systems
H.3319	King	Notify ex-felons of voting rights
H.3616	Finlay and others	Hand marked ballots
S. 374	Alexander	Hand marked ballots
H.3035	Funderburk	Poll Worker residency
H.4157	Lucas et alia	Joint resolution to move voting system procurement
S.537	Rice	No official funds for unsolicited mass communication within 90 days of election
S.331	Davis	Ballot harvesting

EDUCATION/EDUCATION FUNDING

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 130	Davis	Teacher salaries raised to national average
S. 131	Davis	Expands private school tax credits
S. 148	Scott	Teacher recruitment
S. 157	Allen	Teacher salaries raised to national average
S.246	Fanning, McLeod	“high quality” standard in constitution
H. 3164	McDaniel	“high quality”: standard in constitution
H.3759	Lucas	Major education reform
S. 419	Hembree	Senate companion to H.3759

REGULATORY ACCOUNTABILITY

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 110	Massey	Securitization of bonds by PSC
S. 137	Davis	Performance-based utility rates
S. 183	Shealy, Massey	SCANA sale resolution (against)
H.3145	Ott & Clary	ORS audits of co-op utilities and other accountability reforms
H.3408	Caskey	Consumer Advocate ethics restrictions, PSC ethics
H.3433	Rutherford	Utility acquisition and merger approval from PSC required
H.3447	Stavrinakis, McCoy, Clary	ORS and PSC ethics requirements
H.3641	Clary and others	PSC Audits
H.3642	Clary and others	Utility Oversight Committee: cleans up PURC mess a good bit, ethics standards
H.3344	Toole and Magnuson	Utility Deregulation
S.251	Fanning	Prohibit campaign contributions from monopoly utility etc.
S.89	Campsen, McElveen and Senn	Prohibits approval of infrastructure to facilitate transportation of offshore oil into the land and waters of the state
S.296	Harpoottlian	DHEC prohibited from leases that permit infrastructure in support oil from South Atlantic Planning area
H.4260	Caskey, Clary, Lucas, Sandifer, Simrill and Toole	Numerous ethical improvements for utility regulation and oversight
H.3659	McCoy et al	“South Carolina Energy Freedom Act”

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION/AMENDMENT PROCESS

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 28	Grooms	constitutional convention Balanced budget Article V
S. 30	Grooms	Citizen initiative in SC Constitution
S. 112	Massey	constitutional convention Balanced budget + term limits
S. 125	Massey	Constitutional convention Balanced Budget Article V
H. 3021	Cogswell	Appoint AG
H. 3022	Cogswell	State constitutional convention
H. 3025	Cogswell	Appoint Comptroller General
H. 3026	Elliott	Appoint Ag Commissioner
H. 3027	Caskey	Superintendent of Ed appointment

H. 3055	Clary	Appoint Sec of State
H. 3125	Taylor et al	Federal balanced budget convention
H.3437	Cogswell	Appoint State Treasurer

MEDICAL, GENERAL

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 36	Malloy et alia	Medicaid Expansion referendum
H.3292	Dobb Hunter and Clyburn	Arkansas Option for SC

OTHER

BILL	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION
S. 152	Scott	Repeals restriction on removal/change of monuments
H. 3139	Cobb Hunter and Brawley	Pay equity
H.3391	Cobb-Hunter and others	ERA