

Higher Education Bills as of December 21, 2022

Bill Number	Sponsor(s)	Summary	Link to Bill	Committee Referral
S. 66	Malloy	SC College and University Board of Regents; Establishes the "South Carolina College and University Board of Regents" by combining CHE and SCTCE	2023-2024 Bill 66: SC College and University Board of Regents - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education
S. 125	Hembree and Turner	Scholarship Stipend; LIFE and Palmetto Fellows scholarship enhancement available to Education majors; CHE to promulgate regs to define "education major"; change in other requirements to receive scholarship.	2023-2024 Bill 125: Scholarship Stipend - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education
S. 138	McElveen	LIFE Scholarship Eligibility; Defines that a cumulative grade point average calculation, for purposes of LIFE scholarship eligibility, must be inclusive of the student's grade point average at all public or independent institutions attended by the student; provides that a student who becomes eligible for a LIFE Scholarship may not subsequently become ineligible for retention of the scholarship based on a grade in a dual enrollment class.	2023-2024 Bill 138: LIFE Scholarship eligibility - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education
S. 246	Kimbrell and Adams	Prohibited subjects of instruction in K-12 and Higher Education	2023-2024 Bill 246: Prohibited Subjects of Instruction ("Critical Race Theory") - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education
S. 254	M. Johnson	Military Med Techs Education Credit; allows for credit to be granted for experience and training gained through US Armed Forces; directs LLR to promulgate regs	2023-2024 Bill 254: Military Med Techs Education Credit - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Medical Affairs
S. 255	M. Johnson	Campus Free Expression Act: defines conduct that materially and substantially disrupts action; identifies publicly accessible outdoor areas of public higher ed campuses are public forums; allows institutions to charge security fees for expressive activities; and provides causes of actions following a violation of expressive rights.	2023-2024 Bill 255: Campus Free Expression Act - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education
S. 289	Scott	Board of Education and Commission on Higher Education; provides \$7,500 to students intending to become certified educators in critical need areas; provides LIFE amounts based on household income; increases amount available for HOPE and provides an annual income of \$75,000.	https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess125_2023-2024/bills/289.htm	Education
S. 314	Talley	Higher Education Permanent Improvement Projects; Permanent improvement projects over \$5M for reasearch institutions and \$2.5M for all other institutions must be submitted to and approved by CHE and JBRC; report from institutions must be submitted by November 15th.	https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess125_2023-2024/bills/314.htm	Education
S. 316	M. Johnson	Articulation Agreements; CHE to establish pathway for full articulation between SCTECH and four year instnutions for degrees in Education; CHE to provide report to General Assembly of institutions not in compliance.	https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess125_2023-2024/bills/316.htm	Education
H. 3105	Cobb-Hunter	Teacher Loan Forgiveness; amends terms of the teacher loan forgiveness program to all individuals who become certified educators, not just in critical needs areas.	2023-2024 Bill 3105: Teacher Loan Forgiveness - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3107	Collins	Education Lottery Scholarship Grants; amends terms to allow for full cost of tuition and attendance; adds additional stipulations for receiving grant.	2023-2024 Bill 3107: Educational lottery scholarship grants - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Ways and Means
H. 3113	Collins	Teaching Scholarship; additional scholarship for individuals entering the education field; does not mention agency to administer program	2023-2024 Bill 3113: Teaching Scholarship - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3117	Garvin	Student Loan Forgiveness for Teachers; after 5 consecutive years of employment with a school district, a teacher may apply for loan forgiveness; administration of program given to the SCDE.	2023-2024 Bill 3117: Student Loan Forgiveness for Teachers - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works

H. 3283	Burns and Chumley	School Attendance Requirements; cannot require COVID-19 vaccination as a requirement for attendance	2023-2024 Bill 3283: School attendance requirements - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3298	Burns	In-State Tuition Rates; provides additional factors when determining domicile.	2023-2024 Bill 3298: In-state tuition rates - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3304	Felder and A.M. Morgan	Transparency and Integrity in Education Act; provides certain concepts are prohibited from being included in public school instruction and professional development; directs SCDE and districts to provide information; as of now, higher ed is not mentioned in the bill.	2023-2024 Bill 3304: Transparency and Integrity in Education Act - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3307	Gilliam	Center for Behavioral Health; creates the Center for Behavioral Health at the University of South Carolina; tasked with implementing programs to promote retention of school behavioral health and mental health professionals	2023-2024 Bill 3307: Center for Behavioral Health - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3315	King	College Financial Aid and Education Act; amends language to provide 11th and 12th grade students receive information packages currently required for CHE to provide to 8th grade students.	2023-2024 Bill 3315: College Financial Aid and Education Act - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3319	King	Scholarships; provides that student must be notified in writing at least 90 days prior to a scholarship being cancelled or reduced.	https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess125_2023-2024/bills/3319.htm	Education and Public Works
H. 3321	King	Legislative Audit Council; LAC must conduct a management performance audit of each public institute of higher education every 10 years.	2023-2024 Bill 3321: Legislative Audit Council - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3322	King	College Tuition Rates; institutions may not charge application fees to in-state students.	2023-2024 Bill 3322: College tuition rates - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3325	McGinnis and Alexander	In-State College Tuition Rates to Out-of-State Students; adds provision to allow specific institutions to offer in-state tuition to students who reside in states that border SC.	2023-2024 Bill 3325: In-State college tuition rates to out-of-state students - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3326	B. Newton	Dual Enrollment; Dual enrollment courses must be made available to all 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students; LTAP funding must be provided; specific GPA requirement for students to take dual enrollment courses (3.0 GPA) at two year regional campuses; for technical colleges, students must meet requirements of other student attending.	2023-2024 Bill 3326: Dual enrollment - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3330	Rutherford	College Tuition for Nonresidents; provides stipulations for when a nonresident may be able to access state scholarships; CHE to adopt rules and regulations to carry out provisions of section.	https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess125_2023-2024/bills/3330.htm	Education and Public Works
H. 3419	J.L. Johnson	Student Loan Interest Duration; Limits the amount of time that interest may accrue on a student education loan.	2023-2024 Bill 3419: Student Loan Interest Duration - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Ways and Means
H. 3464	Long	Critical Race Theory Instruction Prohibition; provides public school districts, public schools, and public institutions of higher learning are prohibited from directing student to adhere to the	2023-2024 Bill 3464: Critical race theory instruction prohibition - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3467	Taylor	Forming Open and Robust University Minds (FORUM) Act; defines terms and provides measures to protect expressions by students and student organizations in certain places on campus.	2023-2024 Bill 3467: Forming Open and Robust University Minds (FORUM) Act - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works
H. 3582	Garvin	Dating Violence Prevention; requires public institutions of higher education to develop and implement a policy on the topic of dating violence; requires annual report from institutions detailing number of dating violence incidents reported.	2023-2024 Bill 3582: Dating Violence Prevention - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Judiciary
H. 3586	McDaniel	Student and Administration Equality Act; provides requirements and procedures concerning disciplinary matters at institutions of higher learning	2023-2024 Bill 3586: Student and Administration Equality Act - South Carolina Legislature Online (scstatehouse.gov)	Education and Public Works