



## ***LEGISLATIVE UPDATE 1/27/06***

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**S.1078, *Cleary***, This bill will allow the Murrell's Inlet-Garden City Fire District to use a portion of impact fees to construct a storage facility for fire fighting equipment. The bill has passed the House and been sent to the Senate.

**H.4404, *LCI Committee***, this bill would provide a safety net program for electric and natural gas customers 65 or older, disabled, or seriously ill with limited income. The bill did receive third reading last week, however some House members had concerns about the lawsuit caps and the way the bill was being railroaded through so they asked that the bill be reconsidered, which it was. Chairman Cato then decided it would be best to re-commit the bill to the LCI Committee and remove the liability portion of the bill that deals with lawsuits against utilities and caps damages at \$200,000. The bill has passed the House and been sent to the Senate.

**H.4385, *Chalk***, this bill would allow the Hilton Head No. 1 PSD to extend the terms of the commissioners currently serving by one year in order to have their election in even-numbered years. Hilton Head No. 1 PSD is aware of this legislation and supports it. The bill has passed the House and is on the Senate Calendar awaiting discussion.

**H.4485, *Littlejohn***, this bill will increase the borrowing authority of the Pacolet Station Fire District in Spartanburg County from \$20,000.00 to \$300,000.000. It has passed the House and been sent to the Senate.

**H.4415, *Davenport***, this bill will allow the transfer of a nine-acre tract of land in Spartanburg County from the Spartanburg County School District to the Boiling Springs Fire District (Spartanburg County). The bill is on the House Calendar awaiting debate.

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