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## **This week at the State House and at Home:**

### **OBAMA'S BATHROOM BLUNDER: BERKELEY SCHOOLS**

I have never expected our own Berkeley County School District to jump on the Obama free-for-all bathroom bandwagon. I'm trying to reverse the decision made on unsettled law. Do you agree?

[SIGN THE PETITION](#)

### **PAIN CAPABLE CHILD PROTECTION ACT TO BECOME LAW**

The governor is expected to sign the Pain Capable Child Protection Act. SC Citizens for Life calls this the most meaningful pro-life legislation passed in a decade. I worked hard to pass this legislation, and now, thanks to steadfast help from SC Citizens for Life, the SC Baptist Convention, the SC Catholic Conference, the Palmetto Family Council, SC pregnancy centers, pro-life prayer warriors and others, abortions after 19 weeks will be illegal in South Carolina.

### **FOUNDING PRINCIPALS MATTER**

This week the Senate and House passed [H.3848](#), the South Carolina Founding Principles Act. The act requires a semester course of study of founding principles -- including the structure of government, the Bill of Rights, the US Constitution, and the Federalist Papers.

### **NEW JOBS AT BLACKBAUD**

On Wednesday Blackbaud announced that it will bring 300 new jobs and invest \$154M at its world headquarters on Daniel Island. The software giant will start building its 360,000 square-foot office building later this year.

### **LAING MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS EXCEL**

Congratulations to students at Laing Middle School of Science and Technology! The Mount Pleasant school was named one of the top ten STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) schools in the nation. Principal James Whitehair, the faculty, staff, and students excel at innovation and creative problem-solving. It was a privilege to recognize them with a Senate resolution this week.

### **Dont Delay - Vote Today**

Early and absentee voting is open in Berkeley and Charleston counties. Don't wait until Election Day on June 14 -- get your absentee ballot today!

### **BERKELEY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION**

6 Belt Drive  
Moncks Corner 29461  
843-719-4056

### **CHARLESTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION**

4367 Headquarters Road  
North Charleston 29405  
843-744-8683

Check your voter register and polling place [HERE](#).

### **You're Invited to Visit Your State House**

The South Carolina State House is one of the oldest and most picturesque in the nation. The Senate is in session Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from January until the first week in June. I invite you to visit my office, take a free tour of our capitol, and watch the Senate while in session.

### **Connect**

It is a privilege to represent you in the South Carolina Senate and I am here to help. Contact me at [larry@larrygrooms.com](mailto:larry@larrygrooms.com), call me at 843-608-6089 or [LIKE my Facebook page](#) to receive in-district news and State House updates.

Blessings,

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