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SC House: Time for Government Restructuring to Become Law

For 5th time in 5 years, House again approves a DOA Bill

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(Columbia, SC) – Today, the SC House of Representatives (in a 91 to 23 bipartisan vote) again approved a Department of Administration (DOA) bill, marking the 5th time the House has passed this government restructuring reform over the last 5 years.

If the House's DOA plan makes it into law this year, it would institute the broadest government restructuring effort to be undertaken in South Carolina in decades. Breaking up the quasi-Executive/Legislative Budget & Control Board, the House's reform measure places Executive Branch functions directly under the Governor, adds stronger accountability oversight and will save taxpayers money by eliminating waste and duplication.

[House Speaker Bobby Harrell](#) issued this statement about the House's DOA reform plan:

“Fundamentally changing the way government operates by challenging the status quo never comes easy” or quickly, considering this is the fifth time a DOA bill has passed the House “but our state's system of government is in need of major reform.

“The House's DOA reform plan adds direct accountability oversight, streamlines operations by removing duplication, and ultimately, saves taxpayers money.

“In the House, we don't just talk about good government reforms; we act. Taxpayers want a smaller, more efficient and more accountable state government and that is precisely what the House's restructuring plan would create” but to enact those reforms, DOA must become law.

“After coming so close in years past, the finish line for this reform is now in sight. The House is more committed than ever to accomplishing our government restructuring goals once and for all this year; and with a similar level of commitment from the Senate, we can make that happen.”

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