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Columbia, South Carolina  
February 5, 2018

(**Video**) SC Personhood Bill **S .217** "Carried Over" by 18-5 vote in Senate Judiciary Committee Jan. 30, 2018; Next meeting **Tues. , Feb. 6**



Names of all 23 Senate Judiciary Committee members ( 14 R, 9 D ) may be viewed [here](#) .

Senators pictured above in January 30 Senate Judiciary Committee meeting, Gressette Bldg, Room 105,

L-R, starting with back row:

Senator Tom Young (R-Aiken)  
Senator Katrina Shealy (R-Lexington)  
Senator Kevin Johnson (D-Clarendon)  
Senator Brad Hutto (D-Orangeburg)  
Senate Staff person  
Senator Luke Rankin, Chairman (R-Horry)  
Senate Staff person

Senator Gerald Malloy (D-Darlington)  
Senator Shane Massey (R-Edgefield)  
Senator Ross Turner (R-Greenville)  
Senator Marlon Kimpson (D-Charleston)  
Senator Margie Bright Matthews (D-Colleton)

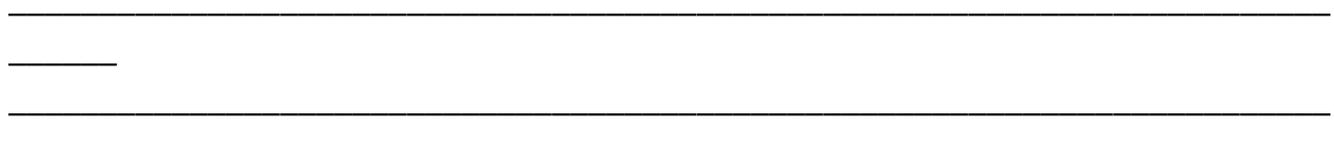
[ Missing from back row: Ronnie Sabb (D-Williamsburg), Senator Chip Campsen (R-Charleston)

- Note: both these were present for most of the meeting; the only absent Senator was Thomas McElveen (R-Sumter) ]

Senators pictured, L-R, in front row:

Senator Richard Cash (R-Anderson)  
Senator Sandy Senn (R-Charleston)  
Senator Mia McLeod (D-Richland)  
Senator Mike Fanning (D-Chester)  
Senator Mike Gambrell (R-Anderson)  
Senator Wes Climer (R-York)  
Senator Stephen Goldfinch (R-Georgetown)  
Senator Rex Rice (R-Pickens)  
Senator Scott Talley (R-Greenville)  
Senator William Timmons (R-Greenville)

All 46 South Carolina Senators may be viewed [here](#) . [ Note: Senator John Courson under indictment has been suspended ]



Recent Action Jan 30 and Upcoming Meeting Feb 6 :

- On January 30, the SC Personhood Bill [S .217](#) was listed first on the Senate Judiciary Comm.

[Agenda](#) and was discussed for just over 1 1/2 hours before the 18-5 vote to "Carry Over" the [S .217](#) bill until the next meeting.

- The next Senate Judiciary Committee meeting is [Tuesday , February 6](#) , beginning at 11:00 am, and [S .217](#) is again on the [Agenda](#) , but this time is not listed at the top.

Senate Meeting Schedule

<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/meetings.php?chamber=S>

Tuesday, February 6

11:00 am -- Gressette Room 105 -- Judiciary Committee

[Agenda Available](#)

Live Broadcast

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The February 6 meeting is again in the Senate Gressette Bldg, Rm 105 (seats approx. 100).

[ The Senate Gressette Bldg is located to immediate rear of the SC State House, on the southwest side. ]

Please come early (recommend 10am or earlier) and help pack the room with praying Christian Pro-Personhood supporters.

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[Chairman](#) of the [Senate Judiciary Committee](#) Senator [Rankin](#) has not yet agreed to support [S.217](#).

Senator [Senn](#) stated publicly in the January 30 Senate Judiciary Committee meeting:

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[ View South Carolina Legislature archive [video](#) [ Begin video time 54:40 Senator Senn

comments on her **opposition** to SC Personhood Bill **S.217** ]

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Further Reporting on January 30 Senate Judiciary Committee meeting :

- The committee room ( Gressette Room 105, below ) was filled to its approx. 100-seat capacity.

(It was also reported a separate overflow room had approx. 70 in attendance.)



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([Video](#)) Senate Judiciary Committee meeting Jan 30, 2018, SC Personhood Bill [S. 217](#):

## South Carolina Legislature

Video Archives by meeting time

<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/video/archives.php>

Select Year: 2018

[Tuesday, January 30, 2018 11:00 am](#)

[Senate Judiciary Committee -- Judiciary Committee](#)

### Agenda

Gressette Senate Office Building, Room 105

Video - 1:50:43

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- Several Senators spoke on the SC Personhood Bill [S .217](#) Jan 30, both supporters and opponents.

[ Selected approx. video times listed below facilitate viewing of selected comments of various Senators as identified;

however, during some of the time periods listed below, more than only the identified Senator may have spoken. ]

- Selected comments by [Supporters](#) of the SC Personhood Bill [S .217](#) included:

1) [Senator Richard Cash \(R-Anderson\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 9:25 - 17:55; and 1:29:30 - 1:31:50 ]

[ Founder and former executive director of Personhood South Carolina ]

2) [Senator Rex Rice \(R-Pickens\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 30:50 - 31:15; and 1:38:10 - 1:39:40 ]

3) [Senator Stephen Goldfinch \(R-Georgetown\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 32:30 - 33:40; and 38:40 - 39:25 ]

4) [Senator William Timmons \(R-Greenville\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video time: 43:30 - 46:25 ]

[ Attorney, former Asst. Solicitor for 13th Circuit - good explanation of use of Personhood Act of SC as a vehicle to challenge Roe v Wade ]

5) [Senator Wes Climer \(R-York\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 1:00:00 - 1:02:00; and 1:13:40 - 1:14:15; and 1:27:30 - 1:28:00 ]

6) [Senator Katrina Shealy \(R-Lexington\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 1:24:50 - 1:27:30; and 1:13:40 - 1:14:15; and 1:28:00 - 1:29:30; and 1:37:30 - 1:37:35 ( Senator Shealy's Motion to carry [S .217](#) bill over ) ]

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- Selected comments by [Opponents](#) of the SC Personhood Bill [S .217](#) included:

1) [Senator Margie Bright Matthews \(D-Colleton\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 2:20 - 8:10; and 33:45 - 38:35; and 1:02:00 - 1:03:00 ]

[ Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Luke Rankin's (R-Horry) hand-picked pro-child-murder-by-"abortion" chairwoman of the 5-man Subcommittee which passed [S .217](#) out of Subcommittee by a [3Y-2N vote](#) last year, [April 26, 2017](#). During the Subcommittee meeting on April 26, 2017, Senator Bright Matthews (attorney) abused her power as Chair and skipped over at least two Pro-Personhood speakers on the sign-up list, including a Christian woman with 34 years experience as Director of the Care Pregnancy Center, who was prepared to speak on her experience dealing with clients regarding the DAMAGE DONE TO WOMEN BY "ABORTION". So this Pro-Personhood testimony was blocked from being heard in the April 26, 2017 Subcommittee Hearing by Senator Rankin's pro-"abortion" chairwoman. ]

2) [Senator Luke Rankin \(R-Horry\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 8:10 - 10:00; and 31:15 - 32:30 and 57:10 - 59:15; and 1:10:00 - 1:11:00; and 1:34:00 - 1:37:30 ( includes Senator Rankin's "I will take just a second to complain somewhat" comments, and ending with his comments about following the examples of Kansas and Missouri, whose statutes subjected their implementation to Supreme Court decisions ); and 1:37:35 - 1:39:40 ( includes 18-5 vote to carry over; incorrectly reported by Senator Rankin as 19-4 vote ) ]

[ In 2017, Senator Rankin waited over two months to even assign [S .217](#) to a Judiciary

Subcommittee, until March 22, 2017, after then-Senator (now SC Lt Gov) Kevin Bryant had introduced [S .217](#) on the first day of the 2017 Legislative Session, January 10, 2017. Read more details of Senator Luke Rankin's delaying tactics, "slow-walking" [S .217](#) through the entire 2017 Legislative Session [here](#) and [here](#) and [here](#). In 2018, the South Carolina Legislature convened on Tuesday, January 9, however the Senate Judiciary Committee was not called by the Chairman, Senator Luke Rankin (R-Horry), to meet on January 9, nor on January 16, nor on January 23 ! The January 30 meeting of Chairman Rankin's Senate Judiciary Committee was the first meeting in 2018. Under normal procedures, legislation should be sent from the SC Senate to the SC House by April 10, and the **END** of the regular 2018 Legislative Session of the SC Legislature is May 10. Has Senator Rankin already begun successfully "slow-walking" [S .217](#) in the 2018 Legislative Session to consume precious time needed for debate and passage ? ]

3) [Senator Brad Hutto \(D-Orangeburg\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 18:00 - 23:15; and 1:03:45 - 1:05:55 ]

[ Perhaps the most strident child-murder-by-"abortion" proponent in the SC Senate. His angry speech directed at a Christian Pro-Personhood

Senator was insulting personally and therefore violated the spirit of [SC Senate Rule 52](#), "[Personal Attacks on Senators Not Permitted](#);..."

Nevertheless, Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Luke Rankin took no action to correct this pro-"abortion" Democrat Senator from Orangeburg.

Senator Hutto received his J.D. (Law) degree from [JESUIT](#) Georgetown University Law Center. ]

4) [Senator Kevin Johnson \(D-Clarendon\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 23:15 - 24:15; and 42:10 - 43:30 ]

5) [Senator Gerald Malloy \(D-Darlington\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video times: 24:15 - 30:50; and 59:15 - 1:00:00; and 1:05:55 - 1:09:00; and 1:11:00 - 1:13:40; and 1:31:50 - 1:34:00; and 1:38:10 - 1:39:40 ]

6) [Senator Mia McLeod \(D-Richland\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video time: 39:25 - 42:10 ]

7) [Senator Ronnie Sabb \(D-Williamsburg\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video time: 46:40 - 54:35 ]

8) [Senator Sandy Senn \(R-Charleston\)](#) - View [video](#) [ Video time: 54:40 - 57:10 ]

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Establishment media errors in reporting on January 30, 2018 Senate Judiciary Committee meeting:

There was erroneous reporting in The State newspaper. Note how The State newspaper article erroneously reported the FALSE impression that "Personhood" legislation had been passed by other States and already ruled unconstitutional.

The State ( Columbia, SC )

'Bill to likely ban all abortions delayed in South Carolina'

Jan 30, 2018

<http://www.thestate.com/news/state/south-carolina/article197391249.html>

Excerpt:

"The bill says life begins at conception, \*\*\* and at that moment an embryo has all the rights as any other citizen. \*\*\*\* Several senators, including Republicans, said similarly-worded legislation in other states has been found unconstitutional. " \*\*\*\*\*

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\*\*\* No the bill does NOT say "life begins at conception" !!! The word conception is never used in the bill.

The bill says the RIGHT to life (due process, equal protection) is vested at fertilization !!!

\*\*\*\* No, the bill does NOT say an embryo has ALL the rights of another citizen, the bill says (only) the

RIGHT to LIFE is vested. The State article is incorrect about vesture of ALL citizen rights at conception (fertilization).

The Personhood bill S .217 as written vests only the right to life at fertilization, not the rights of liberty and property.

\*\*\*\*\* Missouri (effective 1988) and Kansas ( 2013) passed legislation which would recognize the rights of the unborn

to be the same as "other persons", but subjected their statutes, in the text of the statutes

themselves, to the

"decisional interpretations ... by the United States Supreme Court ", and so child-murder-by-  
"abortion" continues  
in Missouri and Kansas to this day. No State in the U.S.A. has yet passed a real, true  
Personhood Bill or Amendment.

Further errors or omissions in the article:

1) The 20 co-sponsors of S .217 are not all Republicans, there is one Democrat, so far - Senator  
Kent Williams. There should be more,  
including Senator Darrell Jackson, a pastor, and Senator Glenn Reese, a present or former  
Baptist deacon.

2) The article fails to mention Gov McMaster, Lt Gov Bryant, and another candidate for SC Gov  
on 2018, Yancy McGill all spoke  
at the Personhood Day event Wednesday, January 24 at the SC State House.

3) Lastly, the article does not mention 2018 SC GOP candidate Catherine Templeton does  
NOT support the Personhood Bill S .217,  
because she supports "exceptions" to a ban on child-murder, i.e., her un-Biblical, immoral, and  
unconstitutional position, is to allow  
the continued murder of certain children in the womb based upon the circumstances of their  
conception. By definition therefore,  
Catherine Templeton is NOT "pro-life". Even Webster's and Black's Law dictionaries define  
"Person" as "A human being."

Personhood Report: In Law, No Exceptions to Human Personhood

<http://christiansforpersonhood.com/index.php/2018/01/30/personhood-report-in-law-no-exceptions-to-human-personhood/>

Personhood Report: No Exceptions to Personhood

<http://christiansforpersonhood.com/index.php/2018/01/29/personhood-report-no-exceptions-to-personhood/>

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E-mail below sent out January 26, 2018:

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Subject: (Video) SC Personhood Bill S.217: 1) SC Senator Richard Cash calls for Senate Floor Debate on Personhood Bill ///

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- S.217 listed first on Agenda

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'STANDING IN THE GATE'

SC Senator **Richard Cash** speaking on Point of Personal Interest [ [Re: Calling for Senate](#)

[floor debate on Personhood Bill \]](#)

at Senate podium, Thursday, January 25, 2018

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Select Year: 2018

[Thursday, January 25, 2018 11:00 am](#)

[Senate -- Senate](#)

Senator Richard Cash presentation [ [View video from 37:50 - 44:00, approx. six minutes](#) ]

State House, Senate Chamber

Excerpt [ [Begin 42:40](#) ]:

Senator Cash :

"There are many important issues that we will debate in the Senate. There are some urgent issues that we need to debate, but nothing is more important, and nothing is more urgent, than debating the Personhood Bill."

"It is not a Republican issue.

It is not a Democratic [sic - Democrat ] issue.

It is not a black issue.

It is not a white issue.

It is not even just a woman's issue or a man's issue.

It is fundamentally at its core, a human rights issue."

"So I ask at the first available opportunity, that we deal with this question: 'Who qualifies as a member of the human community, and is deserving of legal protection?' It is a question that this body needs to debate fully on this Senate floor and to vote on. Thank you very much."

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Senator Cash's remarks to be printed in the permanent record of the Senate Journal, January 25, 2018:

[http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess122\\_2017-2018/sj18/20180125.htm#p3](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess122_2017-2018/sj18/20180125.htm#p3)

Senator CASH rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

#### Remarks to be Printed

On motion of Senator DAVIS, with unanimous consent, the remarks of Senator CASH, when reduced to writing and made available to the Desk, would be printed in the Journal.

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[Personhood South Carolina](#)

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