



S.C. House Republican Caucus

2010 Legislative Agenda

Every decision on every bill before the House Republican Caucus will be viewed through the prism of how that legislation creates jobs or improves the economic climate of our state.

Growing Our Economy

Growing South Carolina's economy and creating jobs is the Republicans' top priority for 2010. We must keep moving forward and make our state the best place to do business in America. To do that, the Caucus will support legislation based on the recommendations of the Republican Economic Development Improvement Group, reform the Employment Security Commission, and take the next step in much-needed Tort Reform.

Improving Education

Improving our public education system – from kindergarten through college – is a critical part of improving the economy. We will expand funding flexibility for schools, make it easier for charter schools to thrive, and maintain our successful college scholarship programs.

Responsible & Limited Government

Limiting the reach of government, and ensuring government is responsible and efficient, is another key to growing our economy. The House Republican Caucus will fight to enact state spending limits, establish a clear chain of command in the executive branch, expand online campaign finance disclosure, and promote government reform and efficiency through a series of bills.

Protecting State's Rights

The Federal Government is undergoing an unprecedented expansion of federal power under the new administration. The House Republicans will do everything we can to counteract this expansion by stressing the sovereignty of states, supporting free-market healthcare, and limiting the federal government's intrusion into powers not expressly given to it by the United States Constitution.



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2009 Unfinished Business

The following bills are major priorities for the House Republican Caucus and were all passed by the House last year. However, these bills have yet to become law and are still awaiting action in the Senate. Because of our state's two-year Legislative session, these bills still have the opportunity to become law this year:

H.3395, 3396	INCREASE GENERAL RESERVE FUND TO 5%
H. 3509	10TH AMENDMENT BILL AND STATE'S RIGHTS
H.3067, 3418	SECURE ELECTION ACT AND PHOTO ID FOR VOTING
H.3147	DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION RESTRUCTURING
H.3305	PROTECT WORKER'S RIGHT TO A SECRET BALLOT
H.3231	JOINT ELECTION OF GOVERNOR AND LT. GOVERNOR
H.3882	SMALL BUSINESS "RED TAPE" REDUCTION ACT
H.3272	POINT-OF-SALE
H.3365	HIGHER EDUCATION EFFICIENCY ACT

2009 Finished Business

S. 12 (H. 3415)	S.C. TAX REALIGNMENT COMMISSION (AND FAIR TAX)
H.3018	REVISIONS TO PROPERTY TAX FOR NEW CONST.
HOUSE RULE	ROLL CALL VOTING