

**Cody Mitchell Update**  
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Increases penalties and strengthens consequences for repeat child exploitation offenders while closing dangerous legal loopholes.

- H.3058 - Disclosure of Intimate Images - Strengthens protections for victims of revenge porn and AI-generated explicit image abuse by increasing criminal penalties and holding offenders accountable.

- H.5073 - Truth in Grading Act - Restores accountability in schools by ensuring grades reflect actual student performance and classroom achievement.

- S.28 - AI Child Abuse Protections - Makes AI-generated child sexual abuse material illegal and gives law enforcement stronger tools to protect children and crack down on predators.

- H.3034 - Fargo's Law - Increases penalties for harming police K9s and horses that serve alongside law enforcement officers in the line of duty.

- H.5097 - Roadside Markets Bill - Reduces unnecessary regulations on local farmers and makes it easier to sell fresh South Carolina-grown products.

- H.4292 - Street Takeover Crackdown - Gives law enforcement stronger tools to stop dangerous street takeovers and keep our roads and communities safe.

- H.4799 - Veterans Homes Expansion - Cuts red tape so veterans homes can expand more quickly and improve access to care for those who served our country.

The past few weeks have been incredibly busy at the State House. House Republicans worked late into the night to finish strong and deliver on the promises we made to the people of South Carolina.

This legislative session, we fought for freedom, families, and a more affordable South Carolina, passing major conservative legislation focused on lowering taxes, improving public safety, fixing our roads, strengthening schools, defending constitutional rights, and growing our economy. From historic income tax relief to cutting red tape and investing in infrastructure, House Republicans remained focused on putting South Carolina families first and continuing to move our state in the right direction.

Together, the General Assembly passed more than 265 bills this legislative session while advancing a responsible, balanced budget that provides over \$1 billion in tax relief, all without raising taxes.




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**AJ VS ACADEMIC MAGNET (STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME)**

AJ #3 Alex Trimnal keeping the ball from an Academic Player.....AJ girls lost 5-0

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# AJ VS EAST CLARENDON SOFTBALL (PLAYOFF GAME)



AJ #10 Addison Robinson gets a base hit during the game for The Lady Vols.....The girls lost 2-4 (Gwynn Leaird Photography)

We promised results. We delivered results.

**Sine Die**

The General Assembly has now adjourned Sine Die, officially concluding the regular legislative session for the year. As a part-time legislature, lawmakers spend part of the year in Columbia working on legislation, passing the state budget, and representing the people of South Carolina. The remainder of the year is spent back home in our communities meeting with constituents, local businesses, schools, and organizations across the district.

With the regular session now complete, I look forward to spending more time back home in the district, hearing directly from you, and continuing to work on the issues that matter most to our community.

**Looking Ahead**

Although the legislative session has wrapped up, we're proud of the results we delivered this year. House Republicans followed through on our agenda with historic tax relief, investments in roads and public safety, and policies focused on growing our economy and keeping South Carolina moving forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our community. I'm looking forward to continuing the work and building on the

progress we made this year

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## AJ FFA Student Earns Scholarship



Congratulations to Lauren Carnes of Andrew Jackson High School! She has been awarded both the Glenn Alexander Memorial Scholarship and the Joe Ghent Legacy Scholarship for 2026. Amanda Roberts presented Lauren with a \$2,000 scholarship in recognition of her hard work and dedication. Lauren will attend Clemson University this fall, where she plans to study to become a veterinarian