

## The Republican Party



of York County

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### **A Resolution Urging South Carolina General Assembly Members To Oppose House Bill 3290 And Senate Bill 203.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 44-55-1210, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended states that “The governing body of any county may by ordinance or resolution provide that the county shall engage in the collection and disposal of solid waste;”

**WHEREAS**, Section 44-96-80, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended, states that “The governing body of a county has the responsibility and authority to provide for the operation of solid waste management facilities to meet the needs of all incorporated or unincorporated areas of the county;”

**WHEREAS**, South Carolina Counties experience an annual net cost of over \$55 million in order to meet the aforementioned mandate;

**WHEREAS**, many counties have by ordinance either directed or caused to be directed solid waste or recyclables to a particular facility in order to protect public health and safety;

**WHEREAS**, counties require the direction of materials by ordinance to these taxpayer-funded facilities in order to finance their construction, operation and post closure expenses;

**WHEREAS**, the legal validity of uniform service charges necessary to fund mandated solid waste or recycling services depends significantly upon the uniform benefit to citizens of recycling or solid waste collection and disposal, which may be directed by ordinance;

**WHEREAS**, H. 3290 and S. 203 have been introduced in the South Carolina General Assembly in January 2013 as a direct attack on ordinances directing the flow of solid waste or recyclable materials and injurious to public solid waste programs; and

**WHEREAS**, it is an expected, demanded and mandated function of local government to be responsible for solid waste and recycling services to citizens – even when not profitable to do so.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the York County Republican Party hereby expresses it’s unwavering opposition to H. 3290 and S. 203 and requests its legislative delegation and other members of the South Carolina General Assembly to take all necessary measures to defeat H. 3290, S. 203 and any similar legislation.

**YORK COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY**

**Wes Climer, Chairman**