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S 0321 General Bill, By Moore, Courson, Leatherman, Martin, Ryberg, Setzler and Wilson

A Bill to amend Chapter 1 of Title 57 and Articles 1, 3, 5 and 7, Chapter 3 of Title 57, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the establishment of the South Carolina Department of Highways and Public Transportation, the election and composition of the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission, and the appointment of the Executive Director and other Department personnel so as to provide for the reorganization of the Department, by establishing as an administrative agency of state government the Department of Transportation which is comprised of a Division of Highways and Administration, a Division of Aeronautics, and a Division of Public Railways and to provide for the transfer of all functions, powers, and duties of the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission and the Public Railways Commission to the Department of Transportation, by providing for definitions, by providing for the method and manner for appointing and confirming transportation commissioners, including their term of office and their compensation, by providing for the creation of certain bureaus within the Division of Highways and Administration and the appointment of bureau directors to serve at the pleasure of the secretary, by providing for the creation of administrative highway districts, and by providing for the appointment of other Department personnel; to amend Article 3, Chapter 11, Title 57, relating to finances of the Department so as to provide for the creation of a State Highway Bond Fund and a State Highway Bond Fund Debt Service Account; to add Chapter 6 to Title 57 recodifying Chapter 19 of Title 58 relating to public railways; to amend Section 12-27-400, relating to the distribution and use of "C" Funds so as to provide that a county council of a county must approve the roads upon which all "C" Fund construction monies are expended within the county and to change the formula by which "C" Fund monies are apportioned among the counties; to provide that the Code Commissioner change certain references in the 1976 Code; to provide for the creation of an ombudsman within the Department; and to repeal Article 3, Chapter 3 of Title 57, Chapter 19 of Title 58, and Sections 55-5-30, 55-5-40, 12-27-1260, 12-27-1280, and 12-27-1300.

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