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S 0806 General Bill, By I.E. Lourie and Land

A Bill to amend Section 42-1-360, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the exemption of casual employees and certain employments from Title 42 (Workers' Compensation), so as to eliminate as an exempted category a person who has regularly employed in service fewer than four employees in the same business within the State or who had a total annual payroll during the previous calendar year of less than three thousand dollars regardless of the number of persons employed during that period: to amend Section 42-7-50, relating to the provision that subdivisions of the State may come under the provisions of law regarding the State Workers' Compensation Fund, so as to, among other things, include "any other employer in the State with fewer than ten employees", require the director of the Fund to bill, rather than notify, each covered employer, rather than "each county, municipality, agency, or institution thereof" at least thirty days before the expiration date of its coverage in order that the insurance may be kept in force continuously, require notification of the employer and the Workers' Compensation Commission that coverage through the Fund has expired under certain circumstances, provide for the exercising of the option of private employers to participate under these provisions of law under certain conditions, provide for restrictions on the option, and provide for the repayment of the initial reserve advanced by the State; to amend Section 42-7-70, relating to rates and premiums under the provisions regarding the State Workers' Compensation Fund, so as to provide that the premiums collected from private employers must be determined, maintained, and accounted for separately from premiums of governmental entities; to amend Section 42-7-90, relating to the authorized expenditures from the State Fund, so as to delete reference to the Workers' Compensation Commission's making an award under these provisions of law, and to refer to an official or employee of a participating employer rather than an official or employee of a participating governmental entity; and to repeal Section 42-7-80, relating to payment of awards and notice of intention to contest an award under the provisions dealing with the State Fund.

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