**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND CHAPTER 1, TITLE 8 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, BY ADDING SECTION 8‑1‑195 TO DIRECT The Budget and Control Board TO charge state employees who participate in the state health plan an additional twenty‑five dollars a month if the employee is obese.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Title 8 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 8‑1‑195. The Budget and Control Board shall charge state employees who participate in the State Health Plan an additional twenty‑five dollars a month if the employee is obese. For purposes of this section, a person is obese if the person’s body weight in kilograms divided by the square of the body’s height in meters exceeds thirty. The Budget and Control Board shall promulgate regulations necessary to administer the additional fee. The Budget and Control Board must publish the effects of this section in the annual Insurance Benefits Guide prior to any calendar year in which the additional fee is charged.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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