**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 11‑5‑290 SO AS TO DIRECT THE STATE TREASURER TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN AN ONLINE REGISTER OF EACH STATE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OR MORE IN A FISCAL YEAR, TO PROVIDE THE PAYMENTS WHICH MUST BE INCLUDED ON THIS REGISTER AND THOSE PAYMENTS THAT ARE EXEMPT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ORGANIZATION AND INDEXING OF THIS REGISTER.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 5, Title 11 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 11‑5‑290. (A) The State Treasurer shall establish and maintain an online register of each state payment made in the amount of one thousand dollars or more in a fiscal year to:

(1) vendors of goods, services, and professional services procured by the State; and

(2) payments to state officers and employees as reimbursements of expenses.

(B) The register must be indexed by agency and payee with an appropriate code indicating the general nature of the payment.

(C) The State Treasurer, in consultation with affected agencies, may exclude payee information from the register with respect to a payment that could adversely impact on law enforcement sources and methods and in other instances where the payee is information exempt from disclosure pursuant to Chapter 4, Title 30, the Freedom of Information Act.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2009, and applies for state payments made after June 30, 2009.

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