**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59‑29‑155 SO AS TO REQUIRE ONE SEMESTER OF CIVICS AND GEOGRAPHY INSTRUCTION DURING THE FIFTH GRADE, EIGHTH GRADE, AND ELEVENTH GRADE ACADEMIC YEARS.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 29, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 59‑29‑155. Each school district shall provide one semester of civics and geography instruction during the fifth grade, eighth grade, and eleventh grade academic years. The State Department of Education shall assist the school districts in locating and developing appropriate curricula for this instruction.”

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

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