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**A JOINT RESOLUTION TO REQUIRE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DECIDE AND NOTIFY TEACHERS OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT FOR THE 2012‑2013 SCHOOL YEAR BY MAY 15, 2012; TO PROVIDE THAT A CONTINUING‑CONTRACT TEACHER WHO IS BEING RECOMMENDED FOR FORMAL EVALUATION THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR MUST BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING ON OR BEFORE THE DATE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ISSUES THE WRITTEN OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT OR REEMPLOYMENT; TO REQUIRE TEACHERS WHO ARE REEMPLOYED BY WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO NOTIFY THE DISTRICT BOARD OF THEIR ACCEPTANCE WITHIN TEN DAYS OF RECEIPT OF WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT; AND TO ALLOW DISTRICTS TO UNIFORMLY NEGOTIATE SALARIES OF CERTAIN RETIRED TEACHERS BELOW THE DISTRICT SALARY SCHEDULE.**

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

**Notice to teachers**

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding Section 59‑25‑410, the boards of trustees of the several school districts shall decide and notify, in writing, the teachers, as defined in Section 59‑1‑130, in their employ concerning their employment for the 2012‑2013 school year by May 15, 2012.

**Notice of continuing contract teachers**

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding Regulation 43‑205.1, a continuing‑contract teacher who is being recommended for formal evaluation the following school year must be notified in writing on or before the date the school district issues the written offer of employment or reemployment.

**Notice of contract acceptance**

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding Section 59‑25‑420, any teacher who is reemployed by written notification pursuant to Section 59‑25‑410 shall notify the board of trustees in writing of his acceptance of the contract for the 2012‑2013 school year no later than ten days following receipt of written notification. Failure on the part of the teacher to notify the board of acceptance within the specified time limit is conclusive evidence of the teacher’s rejection of the contract.

**Salaries for reemployed retired teachers**

SECTION 4. Notwithstanding another provision of law, school districts uniformly may negotiate salaries below the school district salary schedule for the 2012‑2013 school year for retired teachers who are not participants in the Teacher and Employee Retention Incentive program.

**Time effective**

SECTION 5. This joint resolution takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 13th day of April, 2012.

Approved the 14th day of April, 2012.

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