**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 8‑1‑200 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTEE TO THE GOVERNING BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COUNCIL OF A STATE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, OR INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN SIXTY DAYS IN A HOLDOVER CAPACITY FOLLOWING THE EXPIRATION OF THE MEMBER’S APPOINTED TERM OF OFFICE.

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 8‑1‑200. Notwithstanding another provision of law, a gubernatorial appointee to the governing board, commission, or council of a state agency, department, or institution of higher education may not serve more than sixty days in a holdover capacity following the expiration of the appointed member’s term of office. If the Governor does not reappoint a member within sixty days of the expiration of the member’s term of office, the office must be declared vacant, and the vacancy must be filled in the manner of original appointment.”

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

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