**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 48-1-95(E) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENT FOR SIGNIFICANT SPILLS BY WASTEWATER UTILITIES, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SHALL PROVIDE PUBLIC NOTICE OF A SIGNIFICANT SPILL.

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

SECTION 1. Section 48-1-95(E) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(E) The department shall require that all wastewater utilities provide public notice of any significant spill of five thousand gallons or more within twenty‑four hours of the discovery. ~~Where the responsible wastewater utility does not provide this notice, in~~ In addition to any enforcement response, the department shall also provide public notice of the significant spill.”

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

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