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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59‑101‑440 SO AS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING FACULTIES MUST REFLECT THE ETHNIC AND POLITICAL DIVERSITY OF THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH THEY ARE SITUATED, AND TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION TO PERIODICALLY FURNISH CERTAIN RELATED DATA ON SUCH INSTITUTIONS TO ASSIST IN ENSURING COMPLIANCE WITH THESE DIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS.

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

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 101, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 59‑101‑440. The faculty of a public institution of higher learning must reflect the proportional ethnic diversity and political diversity of the State. Beginning in 2021 and every ten years thereafter, the Commission on Higher Education shall identify the ethnic composition of the State based on data from the most recent official United States Decennial Census and the political party support composition of the State based on major party participation in the most recent federal election, and report these findings to each institution. Within ninety days of receipt of this information, an institution shall furnish the Commission on Higher Education a projection of its timeframe for compliance with the provisions of this section based on expectations of faculty attrition and hiring, and quarterly shall report its progress toward achieving compliance. Each institution shall ensure each new faculty member hired increases compliance with the requirements of this section until full compliance is achieved.

(B) For purposes of this section, faculty includes all instructors of students at any level, full‑time, part‑time, tenured or nontenured.”

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

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