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5/9/2023 House Recalled from **Williamsburg Delegation** ([House Journal‑page 28](h:\hj\20230509.docx))

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(A100, R69, S360)

AN ACT TO AMEND ACT 471 OF 2002, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO REQUIRE CANDIDATES SEEKING ELECTION TO SUBMIT A STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY RATHER THAN SIGNED PETITIONS.

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

Filing a statement of candidacy

SECTION 1. Section 1(C) of Act 471 of 2002, as last amended by Act 107 of 2017, is amended to read:

(C)(1) School board elections shall be nonpartisan and shall be conducted on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November every two years. The Williamsburg County Office of Voter Registration and Elections shall conduct and supervise the elections for members of the board in the manner as for the election of the Williamsburg County Council, subject to the election laws of this State, mutatis mutandis. The Williamsburg County Office of Voter Registration and Elections shall prepare the necessary ballots, appoint managers for the voting precincts, and perform all necessary duties to carry out the elections, including the counting of ballots and declaring the results. The Williamsburg County Office of Voter Registration and Elections shall publish notices of the elections in the same manner as provided by law. The results of the elections must be determined by the nonpartisan plurality method as provided by law.

(2) Candidates for election shall file a statement of candidacy with the Williamsburg County Voter Registration and Elections Board as provided in Section 7‑13‑352 as the means to be placed on the ballot.

(3) In the event of a vacancy on the board requiring a special election, the board of trustees shall call the special election to fill the unexpired term. The special election shall be conducted by the Williamsburg County Office of Voter Registration and Elections subject to the election laws of this State, mutatis mutandis.

Time effective

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

Ratified the 17th day of May, 2023.

Approved the 18th day of May, 2023.

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